

# NEWSLETTER

## National Presidential Tapes Conference to Explore Private Recordings of Six U.S. Presidents

**O**n February 16 and 17, 2003, Presidents' Day weekend, the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum will host the first-ever National Presidential Tapes Conference. The two-day conference will focus on the history of the presidential taping systems and their impact on each president's leadership and legacy.

The National Presidential Tapes Conference is being co-sponsored by the National Archives and Records Administration, the Lyndon Baines Johnson Library, and the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation.

"This will be a milestone occasion for the Kennedy Library and our nation's presidential libraries," said Deborah Leff, Director of the John F. Kennedy Library. "We will have, under one roof, historians, presidential advisors, archivists, first-family members, and others who can truly speak to the historic significance of presidential tapes. Our understanding of each president and his decisions will be advanced considerably through interpretations of these privately recorded White House conversations."

Of special note, David Eisenhower and Lynda Johnson Robb will provide first-family perspective

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in a conversation about the presidencies of Dwight D. Eisenhower and Lyndon B. Johnson.

Other discussions will center on what the tapes reveal about crucial moments in our nation's history, such as the Cuban Missile Crisis, the Vietnam War, the civil rights movement, and the Nixon resignation. In a forum moderated by NBC's Brian Williams, presidential historians Richard Norton Smith, Michael Beschloss, Richard Reeves, and Stanley Kutler will discuss how the tapes capture the essence of each man. In another forum, Carl Kaysen, Bill Moyers, and John Dean, who served in the Kennedy, Johnson, and Nixon White Houses, will share their views on listening to the recordings today in contrast to their first-hand

experiences as participants in original discussions. The conference will also provide perspectives from journalists, including Bob Woodward, Hugh Sidey, and George Lardner, who covered the White House as members of the press corps and are now privy to off-the-record Oval Office conversations.

The conference will highlight the history of the presidential taping systems and how scholars, journalists, and the public can best use these resources. Archivists will discuss policies and procedures for reviewing and opening tapes. Historians and archivists will talk about the work being done to restore gaps in recordings and how they are attempting to interpret unintelligible audio.

Those who have listened to the tapes agree that the recordings

carry the listener back in time. "When listening, it can feel like you're there in the meeting," said Maura Porter, John F. Kennedy Library archivist. "When you get lost in the recordings, it is absolutely fascinating. People think of history as having to do with old, dusty books and documents, but the recordings change that perspective. While you're listening, you're there."

The practice of recording conversations and meetings in the White House began in 1940 with Franklin Roosevelt, who wanted to ensure that he was being accurately quoted by the media. The practice ended with Richard Nixon in 1974, whose tape recordings exposed his administration's illegal and unethical activities. In a landmark moment for our nation, Alexander Butterfield, who

## SCHEDULED CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS INCLUDE:

- Michael Beschloss, award-winning historian, author of *Reaching for Glory: Lyndon Johnson's Secret White House Tapes, 1964-1965*; *The Conquerors: Roosevelt, Truman and the Destruction of Hitler's Germany, 1941-1945*; *The Crisis Years: Kennedy and Khrushchev, 1960-1963*, and *Kennedy and Roosevelt: The Uneasy Alliance*
- Taylor Branch, historian, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Parting the Waters, America in the King Years 1954-1963*
- Alexander Butterfield, aide who revealed to the Senate Watergate Committee that President Nixon's conversations in the White House had been taped
- John Carlin, Archivist of the United States
- John W. Dean, III, former counsel to President Nixon, author of *Rehnquist Choice: The Untold Story of the Nixon Appointment That Redefined the Supreme Court*
- David Eisenhower, grandson of President Dwight D. Eisenhower and professor at the University of Pennsylvania
- Jerry Goldman, Northwestern University political science professor, whose "History and Politics Out Loud" makes presidential recordings available online
- Kathleen Hall Jamieson, Ph.D., Professor of Communication and Walter H. Annenberg Dean, Annenberg School of Communication, University of Pennsylvania
- Carl Kaysen, former deputy special assistant for national security affairs to President Kennedy
- Senator Edward M. Kennedy
- Stanley Kutler, professor of history, emeritus, at the University of Wisconsin and author of *Abuse of Power*, a book on the Watergate investigation

served as an aide to President Nixon, stunned the nation in 1973 when he revealed the existence of the Nixon tapes to the Senate Select Committee on Presidential Campaign Activities. Mr. Butterfield will participate in the National Presidential Tapes Conference.

The hours of tapes—eight for FDR, hundreds for Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Johnson, and thousands for Nixon—are archived at each president's respective library and by the Nixon Presidential Materials Staff in Maryland.

The conference is free and open to the public. More information about February's National Presidential Tapes Conference is available on the Kennedy Library Web page at [www.jfklibrary.org](http://www.jfklibrary.org) or by calling (617) 514-1644.



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Staff waits as President Kennedy takes a phone call in the Oval Office.

- Bill Moyers, journalist, Special Assistant to President Johnson
- Richard Reeves, syndicated columnist, author of *President Kennedy: Profile in Power*
- Lynda Johnson Robb, daughter of President Johnson
- Hugh Sidey, *Time* Magazine's veteran White House correspondent and author of *Profiles of the Presidents: From FDR to Clinton*
- David W. Skinner, professor of political economy, emeritus, at Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Richard Norton Smith, presidential historian, Director, Robert J. Dole Institute for Public Service and Public Policy at the University of Kansas
- Sheldon Stern, Ph.D., presidential historian
- Brian Williams, NBC's chief White House correspondent and anchor of *The News with Brian Williams* on CNBC
- Bob Woodward, Pulitzer Prize-winning Washington Post reporter who with Carl Bernstein covered the Watergate scandal
- Philip Zelikow, Director of the Miller Center of Public Affairs and White Burkett Miller Professor of History at the University of Virginia; editor, *Presidential Recordings: John F. Kennedy - The Great Crises, July-October 1962, Volumes One, Two and Three*

***The National Presidential Tapes Conference is free and open to the public but registration is required and limited. To register, call the Library's special reservation line at (617) 514-1644.***

## Caroline Kennedy and Sergei Khrushchev Mark 40th Anniversary of Cuban Missile Crisis

**O**n October 20th, Caroline Kennedy and Sergei Khrushchev marked the 40th anniversary of the Cuban Missile Crisis in the Museum at the John F. Kennedy Library, surrounded by letters exchanged between their fathers, President John F. Kennedy and Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev. Ms. Kennedy shared with Dr. Khrushchev her mother's original copy of the 1963 Test Ban Treaty, which is archived at the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum. A multi-page document with the signatures of heads of state from the United States, Soviet Union, United Kingdom, and nations, large and small, from around the globe, the Test Ban Treaty serves as a record of international resolve following the Cuban Missile Crisis to avert nuclear crisis and secure peace for all people.

In her opening remarks that evening at a Kennedy Library Forum on the missile crisis, Ms. Kennedy spoke about the importance of the 1963 Test Ban Treaty, stating, "Signing that document was not a victory of one political party over another, or of one country over its foe, but was instead a triumph of peace over war, of negotiation over combat, of faith over fear – and the spoils of that victory are shared by all people wherever they live."

Ms. Kennedy completed her remarks by quoting her father: "There is no single, simple key to this peace," my father concluded.



Caroline Kennedy shows Sergei Khrushchev her mother's original copy of the 1963 Test Ban Treaty in the Museum at the John F. Kennedy Library. They stand by a photo of their fathers at the 1961 meeting in Vienna.

'No grand or magic formula to be adopted by one or two powers. Genuine peace must be the product of many nations – the sum of many acts. It must be dynamic, not static, changing to meet the challenge of each new generation.'

Dr. Khrushchev provided the audience with his father's perspective on the outcome of the missile crisis, stating, "One most important thing, what made the Cuban Missile Crisis different from the others [was] that my father and President Kennedy started secret negotiations from the first day, from the very beginning... That showed that they, at that time, trusted each other more than

any in the previous ten years, that they think that they can solve this problem through the negotiations. And they solved it. And of course, the consequences of the crisis were very important—they signed the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty [and] established the hotline."

The Museum at the John F. Kennedy Library is marking the 40th anniversary of the Cuban Missile Crisis with a special exhibit, *Thirteen Days: John F. Kennedy and the Cuban Missile Crisis*. On display through May 15, 2003, the exhibit features original artifacts and images associated with the 13 days of the October 1962 crisis.

## Forums Focus on Lessons of Missile Crisis for an Age of Terrorism and Weapons of Mass Destruction

**D**uring the month of October, the Kennedy Library hosted a series of forums focusing on the 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis. In introducing the forum series, John F. Kennedy Library Foundation CEO John Shattuck pointed to the lessons of President Kennedy's handling of the missile crisis for world leaders today struggling with terrorism and weapons of mass destruction.

On October 1st, Theodore Sorensen, Special Counsel to President Kennedy, and Robert McNamara, Secretary of Defense for the Kennedy and Johnson administrations, shared their experiences from October 1962. The Library's October 6th forum convened Soviet, Cuban, and international relations experts who provided historical viewpoints on the events of October 1962. The October 20th forum was marked by Caroline Kennedy's introduction, the participation of Sergei Khrushchev, son of and adviser to Soviet Chairman Nikita

*"It turned out... that the Soviet submarines accompanying the supply ships as they approached the quarantine barrier were equipped with nuclear-tipped torpedoes. That the commander of each submarine had the authority to fire such torpedoes in times of extreme urgency. And that the captain of one of those ships, when discovered by a destroyer in the quarantine barrier that was dropping depth charges on the submarine, felt that the time had come to fire the nuclear torpedoes."*

— Theodore Sorensen, Special Counsel and Advisor to President Kennedy

Khrushchev, and expert perspectives on the missile crisis from Moscow, Havana, and Washington, D.C. Former U.S. weapons inspector Scott Ritter discussed curbing Iraq's use of weapons of mass destruction in an October 24th forum. The forum series concluded with a discussion of the Cuban Missile Crisis as experienced from the press corps by former White House correspondents.

In 2002, the Kennedy Library Forums received generous support from

Boston Capital and the Lowell Institute, and media sponsorship from *The Boston Globe*, WBUR, and boston.com. Several of the Kennedy Library Forums, including the Cuban Missile Crisis and the Media, can be viewed via video-streaming on the WGBH Web site at <http://streams.wgbh.org/forum/forum>. Complete texts of forum discussions will be available on the Kennedy Library's Web page at [www.jfklibrary.org](http://www.jfklibrary.org) under Forum Transcripts.



Former Special Counsel Ted Sorensen makes a point at the October 1st forum with moderator Thomas Oliphant, *Boston Globe* columnist, and former Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara

## Kennedy Library Forum Series on Civil Rights and Human Rights Reaches Broad Audience

The Kennedy Library Forum series, *Seeking Common Ground: Civil Rights and Human Rights*, brings together leaders in the civil and human rights movements.

On September 30th, the Kennedy Library hosted James Meredith, the first black student at the University of Mississippi, to mark the 40th anniversary of the integration of the University of Mississippi, a landmark event in the civil rights movement of the 1960s. John Doar, the Justice Department lawyer who accompanied Mr. Meredith to the University of Mississippi in 1962, and Burke Marshall, Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights for

*"The marshals came in, and told me – or Mr. Doar, I don't remember which one – that we could go register. So we went out to get in the car, and it was the same marshal's car we'd been riding in. All of the windows had been shot out, so we had to go back in the dorm and get some blankets to put over the seat so the glass wouldn't cut us. And then we drove on over to the Lyceum Building, and actually, at that time – it was later that I learned that that's where all of the rioting had taken place – there wasn't nobody there when I went over there but soldiers. So we went inside and registered."*

*– James Meredith, the first black student admitted to the University of Mississippi, recalling registering at the school on October 1, 1962, following rioting the night before that had left two dead and 160 injured. September 30, 2002*

the Kennedy administration, joined Mr. Meredith on stage. NPR's Juan Williams served as moderator. Moments before the September 30th forum, Mr. Meredith viewed the exhibit in the Museum of Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy's office, which showcases paperwork from the integration of Ole Miss and original letters sent to Attorney General Robert Kennedy, from a then-29-year-old James Meredith.

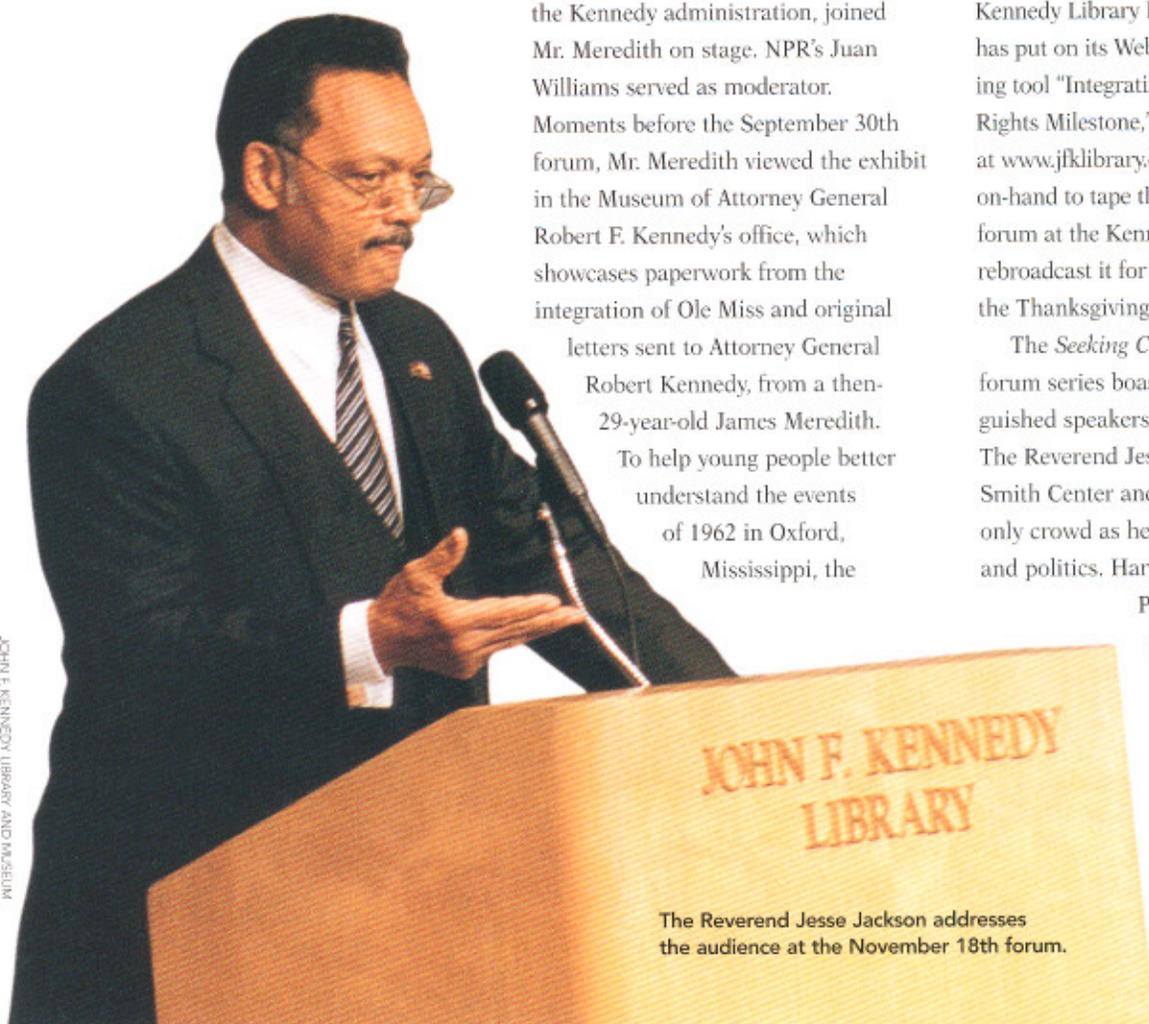
To help young people better understand the events of 1962 in Oxford, Mississippi, the

Kennedy Library Education Department has put on its Web site a powerful learning tool "Integrating Ole Miss: A Civil Rights Milestone," which may be viewed at [www.jfklibrary.org](http://www.jfklibrary.org). CSPAN was on-hand to tape the James Meredith forum at the Kennedy Library and rebroadcast it for its viewers over the Thanksgiving holiday.

The *Seeking Common Ground* forum series boasts a list of distinguished speakers and participants. The Reverend Jesse Jackson electrified Smith Center and its standing-room-only crowd as he discussed civil rights and politics. Harvard Law School

Professor Lani Guinier presented her views on race and democracy in the 21st century and called for the building of grassroots, cross-racial coalitions to reform the process

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The Reverend Jesse Jackson addresses the audience at the November 18th forum.

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of our democracy. Veteran human rights leader Jeri Laber spoke about human rights injustices around the globe and questioned U.S. policy that alienates allies and dissuades those who might be our allies.

A panel of top U.S. rights leaders discussed lessons learned from the nation's civil rights struggle and how those lessons might advance human rights efforts around the globe. Panelists for this *Seeking Common Ground* forum included Elaine Jones, NAACP Legal Defense Fund; Wade Henderson, Leadership Conference on Civil Rights; Gay McDougall, International Human Rights Law Group; Ken Roth, Human Rights Watch; and Lynn Walker Huntley, Southern Education Foundation.



James Meredith and John Doar at the September 30th forum.

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## SEEKING COMMON GROUND: KENNEDY LIBRARY HOSTS ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

This fall, the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation convened two executive planning sessions to forge new connections between the civil rights and human rights communities. The sessions are part of the Foundation's *Seeking Common Ground: Civil Rights and Human Rights* initiative, launched in March 2002 with a Kennedy Library Forum featuring world-renowned singer and activist Harry Belafonte. Major funding from The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation is supporting the Kennedy Library Foundation's efforts to bring together a wide range of domestic and interna-

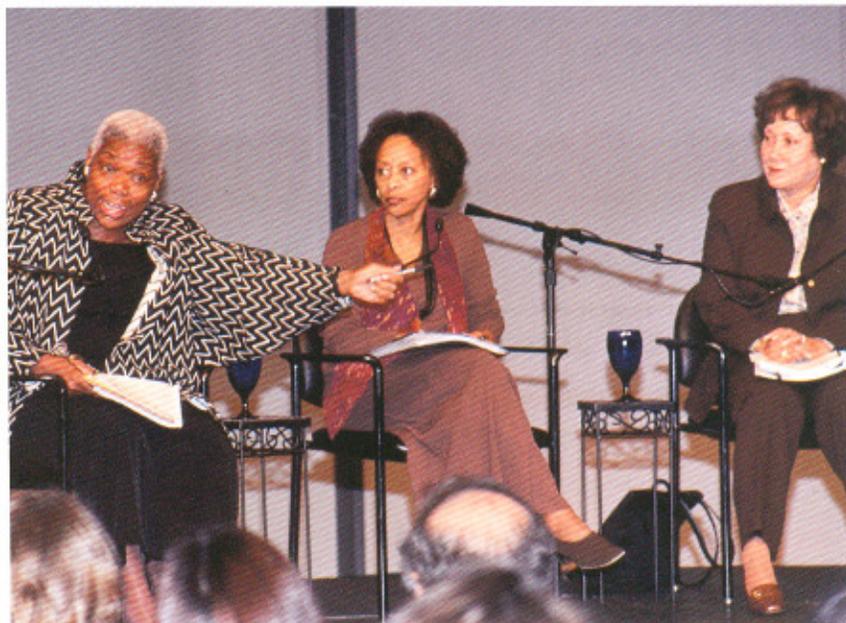
tional rights leaders and experts for a series of public forums on urgent rights issues, as well as executive-session discussions to explore how these communities can work together.

"All too often, the civil rights and human rights movements operate in isolation from each other, despite having similar visions," said John Shattuck, CEO of the Kennedy Library Foundation and former Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor. "But the tragic events of September 11 have challenged both communities and are providing a catalyst for developing a shared agenda."

Working in partnership with Harvard's Carr Center for Human Rights, John Shattuck has led sessions examining the intellectual, political, and historical roots of the movements in their contemporary context of activism and advocacy. One session addressed economic, social, and cultural rights, while another focused on the possibilities of collaboration between organizations promoting civil rights and civil liberties in the U.S. and those promoting human rights internationally. Future sessions, planned for 2003, will examine topics that include strategies and tactics for defending rights from a variety of political and historic perspectives.

## WBUR and *The Boston Globe* Expand Impact of Kennedy Library Forums

**T**he Kennedy Library Forums benefit enormously from media partnerships with WBUR 90.9 FM, *The Boston Globe*, and boston.com. As institutions with large local and national audiences, these outlets have joined with the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum to provide opportunities for thousands of people to participate in debate and discussion. Moderators such as WBUR's Tom Ashbrook and the *The Boston Globe's* Tom Oliphant add their valuable perspectives and penetrating questions to the forum stage. In addition to announcing upcoming forums on air, WBUR, Boston's National Public Radio station, regularly rebroadcasts them as part of its public affairs programming on Sunday evenings. *The Boston Globe* runs ads promoting forums and boston.com features the forums on its Web page and in its "What's New"



Elaine Jones, Gay McDougall, and Lynn Walker Huntley at the September 25th forum.

email magazine. *The Boston Globe* also provides transcripts, which are available online at [www.boston.com](http://www.boston.com) and [www.jfklibrary.org](http://www.jfklibrary.org). John F. Kennedy Library Director Deborah

Leff noted, "These activities greatly amplify the impact of the Kennedy Library Forums and provide a valuable public service far beyond the Library's walls."

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### FLEETBOSTON SPONSORS KENNEDY LIBRARY FORUMS

FleetBoston Financial has announced a multi-year commitment to support the Kennedy Library Forums, joining with Boston Capital and the Lowell Institute. Support from FleetBoston Financial will help underwrite the Library's

flagship public affairs program, which has doubled in the past two years and been received enthusiastically by packed audiences. "The dramatic increase in our forum program has made the Kennedy Library a major convener of citizens

and leaders," said Foundation CEO John Shattuck. "With our expanded activity comes the need to increase the resources for carrying out this extraordinary program, and we are delighted and grateful that Fleet has joined this effort."

## June 10, 2003, Marks Fortieth Anniversary of President Kennedy's Address on World Peace

**I**n his book, *John Fitzgerald Kennedy... As We Remember Him*, Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., wrote, "President Kennedy began to feel in the spring of 1963 that there was a possibility for some kind of new movement in our relations with the Soviet Union, and he began to look for an opportunity to make a 'peace

speech.'" President Kennedy delivered his "peace speech" at American University on June 10, 1963. Many recognize that speech as marking the beginning of détente. The complete text of President Kennedy's address at American University may be read on the Kennedy Library Web page at <http://www.jfklibrary.org/j061063.htm>



President Kennedy delivers the commencement speech at American University, June 10, 1963.

### I SPEAK OF PEACE

"(Poet Laureate) John Masfield admired the splendid beauty of the university, he said, because it was 'a place where those who hate ignorance may strive to know, where those who perceive truth may strive to make others see.' I have, therefore, chosen this time and this place to discuss a topic on which ignorance too often abounds and the truth is too rarely perceived—yet it is the most important topic on earth: world peace.

What kind of peace do I mean? What kind of peace do we seek? Not a Pax Americana enforced on the world by American weapons of war. Not the peace of the grave or the security of the slave. I am talking about genuine peace, the kind of peace that makes life on earth worth living, the kind that enables men and nations to grow and to hope and to build a better life for their children—not merely peace for Americans but peace for all men and women—not merely peace in our time but peace for all time....I speak of peace, therefore, as the necessary rational end of rational men. I realize that the pursuit of peace is not as dramatic as the pursuit of war—and frequently the words of the pursuer fall on deaf ears. But we have no more urgent task."

— President John F. Kennedy  
June 10, 1963

## Massachusetts Students Participate in Annual Election Year Debate Program

In October, nearly 1,000 high school students from 33 public, private, and parochial schools across Massachusetts participated in the Kennedy Library's annual election-year debate program, organized by Nina Tisch, Kennedy Library Civic Education Coordinator.

Elected officials and those active in state politics served as their parties' spokespeople in town-hall-style debates at which students asked the questions. Pairing off and representing their party's position on a wide range of issues were State Senators Brian Lees and Joan Menard; State Representative Peter Forman and State Senator Dianne Wilkerson; State Representative Michael Festa and Evan Slavitt, Esq.; Dan Daly and State Senator Marc Pacheco; and former U.S. Representative Peter Torkildsen and State Senator Jarrett T. Barrios.

Prior to the debates, students met in small groups to discuss issues they identified as important, including capital punishment, state-required

MCAS exams, bilingual education, taxes, women's issues, and health care. The program helped students better understand the two major political parties. Students also benefited from interacting with their peers from different schools in different parts of the state.

### New Grants Fuel Library's Student Outreach

Teaching students about public service, the Cold War, civil rights, and other aspects of the Kennedy administration's experience and legacy is the mission of the Kennedy Library's Education Program. Four new grants are helping expand these efforts to reach students in urban communities.

- The Boston Foundation is providing major, capacity-building support for educational and community outreach, allowing the Kennedy Library to intensify efforts aimed at reaching urban schools and serving underrepresented populations.
- Citizens Bank is supporting The John F. Kennedy Library Corps, a youth outreach program that includes workshops, seminars and activities that develop students' skills for leadership, community service, and personal growth.
- A grant from the United Way of Massachusetts Bay is underwriting Dialogues in Diversity, a series of workshops bringing together young people of various faiths to talk about religious pluralism post 9/11.
- With funding from the Gillette Company, the Kennedy Library will host some 800 students from throughout New England in February for a new program entitled *Setting National Priorities: A Budget Simulation*. The students will serve as "financial advisors to the president" and work to set national priorities as they tackle the budget decision-making process. Gillette is also underwriting the Library's Joseph Moakley Public Speaking Institute in August 2003.

## KENNEDY LIBRARY EDUCATION DEPARTMENT RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE IN PROMOTING DIVERSITY AND PROVIDING FORUM SERIES IN RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 11TH

On December 3rd, the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) bestowed its Outstanding Achievement in Promoting Diversity Award on Tom Putnam, Sam Rubin, and Lisa Menendez Weidman of the Education Department at the John F. Kennedy Library for their Teaching Civil Rights Institute, a five-day conference that took place this past

summer. At the Kennedy Library Institute, 35 schoolteachers experienced first-hand accounts of such landmark 1960s initiatives as the Freedom Rides, the Birmingham campaign, the March on Washington, voter-registration drives, and other civil-rights events and efforts.

At the ceremony, NARA also honored Tom Putnam, Director of the Education Department, for Outstanding Achievement

in Customer Service to External NARA Customers. NARA applauded Mr. Putnam for his success in organizing the "Responding to Terrorism" forum series in the aftermath of September 11th. Under Mr. Putnam's leadership, within a month of September 11, 2001, the Education Department provided a unique public forum series for residents of the greater Boston area and beyond to discuss the challenges facing our country in the aftermath of terror.

## Celebrate! Children's Programs

**A**s part of its special programming for children, the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum presents *Celebrate!*, a series of morning performances for young people aged five and older. *Celebrate!* serves to promote a greater awareness of and admiration for America's rich cultural diversity. The series is presented on calendar dates nearest certain public holidays and school vacations. All performances are free and begin at 10:30 a.m., but children must be accompanied by an adult. Reservations are not necessary, but space is limited and on a first-come, first-serve basis. *Celebrate!* receives media sponsorship from *The Boston Herald*. For more information about *Celebrate!*, please call (617) 514-1646.

**Wednesday, February 19, 10:30 a.m.**  
*Caribbean for Kids*

Sing, swing, limbo and sway along as *Caribbean for Kids* performs fun, upbeat children's songs and traditional Caribbean tunes.

**Saturday, March 15, 10:30 a.m.**  
*The Enchanted Circle Theatre*  
Two Russian folk tales – *Bavsi and*



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*The Tsar's Feast* and *Ivan Bearmanovich* – are performed in an enchanting, delightfully creative manner.

**Wednesday, April 23, 10:30 a.m.**  
*Gould & Stearns' Jack and the Beanstalk*

The acclaimed comedy team of Gould & Stearns combines dialogue, slapstick, mime and song in retelling the story of *Jack and the Beanstalk*.

**Saturday, May 3, 10:30 a.m.**  
*Sol y Canto*

*Sol y Canto* (Sun and Song) performs a Latin concert that entertains and involves families in a multicultural and bilingual extravaganza.

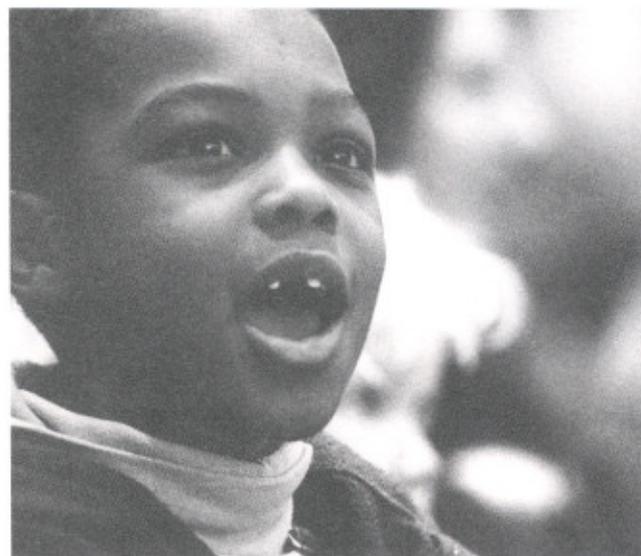


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## Profile in Courage Award Committee Welcomes New Members

The John F. Kennedy Library Foundation is pleased to welcome three new members to the Profile in Courage Award Committee: Al Hunt, Executive Editor of *The Wall Street Journal*; Nancy Johnson, U.S. Representative from Connecticut; and Patricia M. Wald, former judge for the International Criminal Tribunal at the Hague. The Foundation extends grateful appreciation to David Burke, former president of CBS News, and Antonia Hernandez, president of the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Education Fund, whose terms on the Award Committee ended this year. John Seigenthaler, founder of the First Amendment Center at Vanderbilt University, chairs the committee. The other members are U.S. Senator Thad Cochran, Marian Wright Edelman, Elaine Jones, Caroline Kennedy, U.S. Senator Edward M.

Kennedy, Paul G. Kirk, Jr., David McCullough, and U.S. Senator Olympia M. Snowe

The Profile in Courage Award was created to recognize acts of political courage on the part of public officials in the spirit exemplified by President Kennedy's 1957 Pulitzer Prize-winning book, *Profiles in Courage*, which told the stories of eight U.S. Senators who risked their careers by taking principled stands for unpopular positions.

Nominations are currently being accepted for the 2003 Profile in Courage Award, and may be made in support of elected officials at any level of government, former or current, who have shown notable courage in taking a stand on a public issue. Nominations may be submitted via e-mail to [profileincourage@nara.gov](mailto:profileincourage@nara.gov); or via regular mail to the Profile in Courage Award Committee, John F. Kennedy Library Foundation, Columbia Point, Boston, MA 02125.

The next recipient of the Profile in Courage Award will be honored in a ceremony at the John F. Kennedy Library on May 12, 2003.

The Profile in Courage Essay Contest is a companion activity for high school students across the nation supported by Fidelity Investments. Information about the Contest, including guidelines and examples of past winning essays, is available at [www.jfkcontest.org](http://www.jfkcontest.org).

### SAVE THE DATE! FIFTEENTH ANNUAL MAY DINNER

A black-tie benefit for the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation  
Sunday, May 11, 2003  
Tickets \$1,000; Tables \$10,000  
For more information,  
call (617) 514-1550.

## KENNEDY LIBRARY UPGRADES PHONE SYSTEM AND ADOPTS NEW PHONE NUMBERS

To better serve the public, the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum has updated its telephone system. The new main phone number has changed to (617) 514-1600. The randomly assigned number fittingly echoes the well-known White House address of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. The John F. Kennedy Library's toll-free number, (877) 616-4599, will stay the same. The TTY number is now (617) 514-1573.

### OTHER NEW PHONE NUMBERS OF NOTE ARE:

Forum Reservations (617) 514-1643  
Children's Programs (617) 514-1646  
Library Research (617) 514-1629  
Hemingway Research (617) 514-1633  
Visitor Services (617) 514-1569  
Museum Store (617) 514-1605  
Facility Use for Special Events (617) 514-1582  
Group and Education Tours (617) 514-1589

Kennedy Library Foundation (617) 514-1550  
Membership (617) 514-1659  
Profile in Courage Award (617) 514-1661  
Media Inquiries (617) 514-1662

Callers may call the Library's main number, (617) 514-1600, and access a listing of names to dial staff members directly.

## Jacqueline Kennedy Exhibition Opens in Paris at Musée de la Mode et du Textile at the Louvre

**O**n November 19th, *Jacqueline Kennedy: The White House Years – Selections from the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum* opened in Paris at the Musée de la Mode et du Textile at the Louvre to rave reviews. In her remarks the eve of the Paris opening, Caroline Kennedy referred to Paris as “the city that my mother loved and that inspired her throughout her life.” As a Vassar College student, Jacqueline Bouvier spent her junior year at the Sorbonne. In 1961, she returned to Paris as first lady and won the hearts of Parisiennes, including French President Charles de Gaulle. It was on this trip that President Kennedy opened a news conference by remarking that he felt the need to introduce himself as “the man who accompanied Jacqueline Kennedy to Paris.” The Paris opening and exhibition were made possible by L’Oréal.

The unprecedented special exhibition of the original clothing and accessories worn by Mrs. John F. Kennedy at state events in America and abroad is on display at the Musée de la Mode et du Textile in the Rohan wing of the Palais du Louvre through March 16, 2003. The exhibition will have its final presentation at The Field Museum in Chicago from November 13, 2004, through May 8, 2005. The materials from the collection will then be permanently stored in the archives of the John F. Kennedy Library in Boston, never to be displayed in their entirety again.



Mrs. Kennedy in Paris in 1961 with Charles de Gaulle.

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## Kennedy Library Works Toward Preservation of Hemingway Papers in Cuba

The John F. Kennedy Library, which houses the archives of Ernest Hemingway, has launched a project with the Social Science Research Council and the Hemingway Museum outside Havana to conserve and make available to researchers an important collection of Hemingway's papers found in his "Finca Vigia" home in Cuba. Hemingway scholars are calling these papers "the last unexplored frontier of Hemingway studies."

"This is truly a treasure trove for Hemingway researchers," said James Roth, Kennedy Library archivist of the Hemingway collection. "The documents include 3,000 personal photographs, 2,000 letters and some draft fragments of his novels and stories, including a rejected epilogue, or the beginning of one, to *For Whom the Bell Tolls*. The collection also includes handwritten pages of earlier versions of the novel. It's just amazing."

Once this project is completed, the Kennedy Library will work with Cuban curators to broaden access to materials archived here through cataloging that



Hemingway on the piazza of his Finca Vigia home in Cuba.

includes descriptive information.

Mary Hemingway saw the Kennedy Library as a fitting place for her late husband's papers as, in 1961, despite a U.S. ban on travel to Cuba, President Kennedy made arrangements for her to enter Cuba to claim family documents and belongings. A 1968 exchange of letters between Mary Hemingway and Jacqueline Kennedy

confirmed that the Hemingway papers would be archived at the Kennedy Library. In 1972, Mrs. Hemingway began depositing papers in the Kennedy Library, and in 1980, Patrick Hemingway, the writer's son by his second wife Pauline, and Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis dedicated the Hemingway Room in the Kennedy Library.

### ANNUAL HEMINGWAY/PEN AWARDS

On Sunday, April 13, 2003, the Kennedy Library will host the annual Hemingway/PEN awards, America's best-known prize for a distinguished first book of fiction. Patrick Hemingway, son of Ernest Hemingway, will present the award,

and poet Robert Pinsky will serve as keynote speaker. The Hemingway Foundation/PEN Award was created in 1976 by Mary Hemingway to honor the memory of Ernest Hemingway and draw attention to first books of fiction. The Hemingway

Foundation, the John F. Kennedy Library, the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation, PEN New England, the Friends of the Hemingway Collection, *The Boston Globe* and the Ucross Foundation sponsor the ceremony and reception.

## New Americans Take Oath and Celebrate Citizenship at the Kennedy Library

**D**The John F. Kennedy Library is pleased to continue a tradition of hosting celebrations of the naturalization of new U.S. citizens. The ceremonies are presided over by U.S. District Court Judges Mark L. Wolf and Nancy Gertner and sponsored by the U.S. Department of Justice and the Immigration and Naturalization Service. On November 12, one hundred and eighty-two new citizens took the oath of American citizenship in the Smith Center at the Kennedy Library. The Kennedy Library will host citizenship ceremonies throughout the 2003 calendar year.



A mother and child celebrate following citizenship ceremonies at the Kennedy Library.

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## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER'S PT 109 FILM PREMIERES AT KENNEDY LIBRARY

**T**he John F. Kennedy Library hosted the premiere screening of National Geographic Explorer's *The Search for Kennedy's*

*PT 109* on November 11, Veterans Day. A discussion with undersea explorer Robert Ballard, expedition crewmember Maxwell Kennedy, and Richard Keresey, captain of

*PT 105* during World War II, moderated by National Geographic Explorer host Boyd Matson, followed.

The Kennedy Library has on permanent exhibit in its Museum a special display of President Kennedy's naval artifacts, including the piece of coconut on which he cut the life-saving message: "Nauro Isl... commander... native knows pos'it... He can pilot... 11 alive... need small boat... Kennedy." President Kennedy's Navy and Marine Corps Medal, Purple Heart Medal, letter of commendation, and uniform, along with a flag from *PT 109*, photo of the *PT 109* crew and other artifacts are included in the exhibit. John F. Kennedy served in the U.S. Navy from October 1941 to March 1945.



Coastwatcher Lieutenant Arthur R. Evans meeting with President Kennedy in the Oval Office after presenting him with the note he sent with native scouts to the crew of *PT 109* telling them the rescue was underway.

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## Special Exhibit to Commemorate Fiftieth Anniversary of the Wedding of Jacqueline Lee Bouvier and John Fitzgerald Kennedy

**T**o celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the September 12, 1953, wedding of President and Mrs. Kennedy, the Museum at the John F. Kennedy Library will present a special exhibit featuring Mrs. Kennedy's wedding dress, her emerald-and-diamond engagement ring, exclusive color footage of the reception, and the poem Mrs. Kennedy wrote and gave to her husband on the occasion of their first wedding anniversary. The exhibit will be on display from May 15, 2003, through October 31, 2003, at the Museum at the John F. Kennedy Library.

Jacqueline Bouvier's wedding gown required 50 yards of ivory silk taffeta and took more than two months to make. It was the creation of Ann Lowe, an African American dressmaker who had designed gowns for matrons of high society. The wedding gown was recently restored by the Textile Conservation Center of the American Textile History Museum in Lowell, Massachusetts.

To further mark the golden



The newlyweds, Senator and Mrs. John F. Kennedy, September 12, 1953.

wedding anniversary, Winston Flowers of Boston will recreate Mrs. Kennedy's wedding bouquet of white and pink spray orchids and gardenias for

display at the New England Spring Flower Show, which runs March 15 through March 23 at the Bayside Expo Center in Boston.

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