



Courageous Response to Hurricane Katrina Earns 2007 JFK Profile in Courage Award

“By nightfall, over 1200 people were in our school, as we pulled them in through second story windows after our neighbors’ boats docked at the tops of our covered walkways - 1200 people who were tired, hungry, and without dry clothes, all huddled together, all frightened and in a state of shock, each relying on a small band of educators to chart their course of survival.” *-Doris Voitier, May 21, 2007*

On May 21, 2007, two public servants who took extraordinary risks and exemplified the best in political leadership to meet the needs of communities affected by Hurricane Katrina received the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award™.

During the ceremony held at the Kennedy Presidential Library, Bill White, Mayor of Houston, Texas, who offered refuge in his city to displaced residents of Louisiana and Mississippi, and Doris Voitier, Superintendent of Schools for St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana, who

overcame federal bureaucracy to rebuild and reopen the public schools despite the complete destruction of the parish, were honored with the prestigious award for political courage by Caroline Kennedy and Senator Edward M. Kennedy before a live television audience. ▶ P6

Senator Edward M. Kennedy and Caroline Kennedy with the 2007 Profile in Courage Award recipients – Doris Voitier and Bill White.



Our Commitment to the Community

John Shattuck

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ON JANUARY 9, 1961, John F. Kennedy stood on the State House steps and thanked the people of Boston and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for helping him launch his presidency. Quoting John Winthrop, one of colonial Boston's earliest leaders, Kennedy proclaimed that "We must always consider that we shall be as a city upon a hill—the eyes of all people are upon us."

Today, the Kennedy Presidential Library plays a vital role in Boston and the Commonwealth, as a major resource for the communities of President Kennedy's beloved "city upon a hill." From our museum tours, to our education programs, to our public forums and conferences, to our community events and celebrations, the doors of the Kennedy Library are open throughout the year to neighborhood visitors from all over Boston and beyond.

We're deeply committed to the communities around us. Over 20,000 Boston-area schoolchildren will participate in our free educational programs this year. More than 12,000 people from the community will attend the two dozen free public forums that we will be hosting, with many thousands more listening to the broadcasts of Kennedy Library Forums over WBUR radio, Boston's NPR news station. And an estimated 200,000 visitors will come to our museum and its popular new series of temporary exhibits, with nearly 10,000 taking advantage of the guided group tours now offered by our new docent program.

This spring and summer the Library has been humming with activity involving Boston-area and Massachusetts teachers and students. For the fifth consecutive year our education department offered a popular spring program for over 800 high school students from 24 schools around the state who were taught to consider and debate how our nation's priorities are established through the decision-making

process about the national budget. In June, Boston Public School teachers participated in a five-day teaching institute that prepares them to teach about the history of the Cold War. In July, the Library offered another training institute for high school teachers on the role of the American news media. And then in August we will bring together a group of inner-city high school students to participate in the Joseph Moakley Public Speaking Institute, a



John Shattuck, CEO, Kennedy Library Foundation, former Assistant Secretary of State for Human Rights and Ambassador to the Czech Republic.

special program that teaches students how to construct arguments and give speeches to public audiences.

The Kennedy Library reaches out to neighborhoods and Boston communities in many other ways. We host swearing-in ceremonies throughout the year for hundreds of new U.S. citizens from all over Massachusetts. We participate in the meetings and community work of Columbia Point Associates, our local neighborhood association. As we make plans to construct a new 30,000 square-foot addition to the Library, we have also consulted with other city and community organizations, including the Boston Harbor Association and the Columbia Savin Hill Civic Association in Dorchester, as well as with city and state officials. And we were honored last summer to be chosen by Boston's Ten Point Coalition as the site for negotiation of a truce between two rival youth gangs involved in violence in the neighborhoods of Dorchester and Roxbury.

This is our commitment to the people of the city who first sent John F. Kennedy to Washington six decades ago.

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Remembering Edward T. Martin

The Board of Directors of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation mourned the loss of their esteemed colleague Edward T. Martin who died on December 4, 2006.

A loyal and devoted friend to the Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum and to the Kennedy Library Foundation, Eddy Martin was an unsung hero who made a significant contribution both to his community and to the nation. His distinguished career as a journalist, public servant, businessman and political activist is testimony to President Kennedy's conviction that one person can truly make a difference.

"Eddy Martin was a genuinely good human being who lived a life of purpose and service," said Paul G. Kirk, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Directors. "His uncanny 'street smarts,' uncommon kindness and irrepressible wit won him a legion of friends. He treasured his association with John Kennedy's Library as a member of the Foundation's Board of Directors, and he advanced its mission through his wise counsel and unselfish generosity. Eddy's own youthful spirit kept us all younger than our years. We miss him deeply, and we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his wife, Marge, and to their devoted family."

As a senior and active member of the Board of Directors, Eddy helped guide the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation in its mission of providing financial and programmatic support to President Kennedy's Library. Eddy was passionately devoted to the legacy of President Kennedy and was largely credited with working behind the scenes to create the Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Greenway and secure the placement of a statue of President

John F. Kennedy in front of the State House. His significant and unsung contributions to the Kennedy Library and to his community were recognized by the Friends of the Kennedy Library in 1998 when they honored Eddy as Irishman of the Year.

Eddy was my confidant, my advisor, and most of all, my dear and cherished friend.

~ Senator Edward M. Kennedy, December 7, 2006

To Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Eddy Martin "was my confidante, my adviser, and most of all, my dear and cherished friend." At Martin's December 7 funeral, Senator Kennedy spoke of his friend, saying, "It must have been the luck of the Irish – mine and Jack's, Mother and Dad's – the Boston Irish – the Galway, Wexford and Limerick Irish – that first brought us together that unsung day in 1961, when the ace political reporter for the old *Boston Herald Traveler* agreed to help out in my first campaign for the Senate.

"Eddy always understood people," Senator Kennedy went on to say. "He knew what made them tick. That was the reporter in him, I think. He saw what was going on in the world, but most of all, he felt it. And that sense of humanity along with his own life's experiences, combined to give Eddy truly extraordinary political judgment. Even at our most recent dinners and times together, Eddy's sense of what was happening in the Commonwealth and in the country was keener and more perceptive than almost anyone else I know. Eddy didn't need a poll to tell him what was right. He just knew in his gut."

A longtime newspaper reporter, Eddy Martin worked on daily newspapers in West Virginia and Rhode Island before joining the former *Boston Post*. When the *Post* stopped publishing, he joined the *Boston Herald Traveler* where he

advanced to the post of city editor. He covered every major New England story from murders to prison riots, hurricanes, the Brinks trial, to the inauguration of John F. Kennedy. He was the only reporter in New England to witness an early atomic detonation.

Shortly after President Kennedy's inauguration, Senator Kennedy asked Martin to handle press relations for his first bid for the U.S. Senate. ▶ P5



Senator Edward M. Kennedy warmly greets his cherished friend Eddy Martin.

Kennedy Presidential Library Takes Top Honors at the Annual *Boston Choice Awards* for the “Best Private Function Space in Boston”



The Lyric Ensemble performs in the Stephen Smith Center.

The John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum was recently named the “Best Private Function Space in Boston” at the 2006 *Boston Choice Awards*. The award was given to the Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum after a public vote giving the Library this top honor.

The *Boston Choice Awards* are a celebration of the best that Boston has to offer to those who live and visit here. The *Boston Choice Awards* aim to recognize the highest standards of quality and excellence in the hospitality and tourism industry. These awards are given out annually by

the Greater Boston Concierge Association, and are hosted by the Boston Park Plaza Hotel and Towers.

“We are honored to have received this prestigious Boston Choice Award. Many thanks go out to the Greater Boston Concierge Association and to everyone who voted to make the Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum the 2007 award recipient,” said Tom Putnam, Director of the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum. “Our goal is to make each event held here a special and memorable occasion. It is hard to look out the window overlooking Boston Harbor or take a walk through our Museum and imagine a more perfect and inspiring location to hold an event.”

There are five separate function spaces available, all designed by world renowned architect I.M. Pei. Whether you’re putting on a lavish dinner or clam bake for 1,000 catered by one of New England’s top service providers, Gourmet Caterers, or hosting a small business meeting for 20, you know that your guests will leave feeling inspired having attended a memorable event at our nation’s memorial to the 35th President of the United States, John F. Kennedy.

Organizations interested in booking their next event at the Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum may call the Special Events office at 617-514-1582.



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Tom Putnam Named Director of JFK Presidential Library

The National Archives and Records Administration announced the appointment of Thomas J. Putnam as Director of the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum in January 2007. The appointment was made by Archivist of the United States Allen Weinstein, who directs the National Archives and its 11 Presidential Libraries. Mr. Putnam is the fifth director of the John F. Kennedy Library since it was dedicated in 1979.

In making the appointment, Professor Weinstein said, “Tom Putnam brings unique experience and strong leadership to the position of Director of the Kennedy Library. Drawing upon his successful years as the Library’s Deputy Director and then Acting Director, Tom is fully prepared for the challenge of administering a world-class archive, library, and museum. He blends a firm commitment to the Kennedy Library’s track record of high achievement with keen support for the Presidential

TOM FITZSIMMONS



Tom Putnam speaking at the December 3, 2006, forum *A Conversation with Patrick Hemingway*.

Library system and for a broader commitment to the National Archives. I look forward to working with Tom and welcome him in this new position.”

In 2003, Putnam was appointed Deputy Director of the Library with responsibility for overseeing the Library’s \$8 million annual budget and for managing all facility, security, and administrative issues and staff. As the liaison with the Kennedy Library Foundation, he was instrumental in the launch of a new website and the building of a new digital archive. In addition, Mr. Putnam has overseen the planning and design of a proposed \$22 million building addition project which will provide the

Kennedy Presidential Library with an additional 30,000 square feet of storage required for the safe preservation of President Kennedy’s papers. In September, 2006, Mr. Putnam was appointed Acting Director of the Library.

Mr. Putnam graduated from Bowdoin College in 1984, where he was named a Truman Scholar and received his scholarship from Margaret Truman Daniel at the Truman Library. Mr. Putnam spent a year in Quebec, Canada on a Watson Fellowship teaching and studying how Quebec used its education system to modernize the province. In 1987, he received his MPA from the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton University, where he studied education and public policy. He subsequently lived in Senegal, West Africa as a Fulbright Scholar examining Senegal’s attempts to reform its national education system.

In 1988 Mr. Putnam returned to his home state of Maine where he taught history to high school students at Thornton Academy. From 1990-1999, he worked for the Upward Bound program in Maine and western Massachusetts, assisting low-income high school students to be the first in their families to attend college.

A resident of Arlington, Massachusetts, Tom is married to Phyllis Wentworth, an Assistant Professor at Bristol Community College. They have two children.

Tom Putnam speaking with Mrs. Ethel Kennedy prior to the March 18, 2007, forum *Faith and Politics*, which featured Robert and Ethel Kennedy’s eldest daughter Kathleen Kennedy Townsend.



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Remembering Edward T. Martin, *continued*

He served as an advisor to Senator Kennedy in every subsequent campaign, including Senator Kennedy’s 1980 campaign for president. And from 1971-1977, he served with distinction as Senator Kennedy’s administrative assistant in Washington.

Martin served the federal government for twenty years beginning as public affairs and educational officer for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Later he was given a presidential appointment as New England regional administrator for the U.S. Department of

Housing and Urban Development. For several years he was director of space management for the General Services Administration. When he retired, Martin was senior vice president of R.M. Bradley in charge of human resources and public relations.

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Caroline Kennedy, Mayor Bill White and Doris Voitier discussing the 2007 Profile in Courage Awards on the *CBS Early Show*.

White and Voitier were held up by members of the Profile in Courage Award Committee as emblematic of the many public servants throughout the devastated region who showed courageous and decisive leadership in addressing the human misery and ruin caused by Hurricane Katrina.

“Mayor Bill White and Doris Voitier demonstrated tremendous courage in the face of extraordinary odds and they serve as an inspiration to us all,” said Caroline Kennedy, President of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation. “Mayor White’s quick actions evacuating thousands of families displaced by hurricanes Katrina and Rita most certainly helped to

save lives. Despite insurmountable odds, Doris Voitier rebuilt the schools of St. Bernard Parish, making sure the children of her community had a place to learn and grow when they returned home. They are both true profiles in courage.”

“I commend Doris Voitier and Bill White for all they accomplished in such a difficult moment, and when so many others faltered. They have worked miracles already, and I know that they will produce even more in the years ahead,” said Senator Edward M. Kennedy. “Our nation is a better place because of them.”

Bill White, Mayor of Houston, marshaled the resources and goodwill of his city to provide refuge

EXCERPT FROM THE ACCEPTANCE SPEECH OF SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT DORIS VOITIER

Out of all adversity rises strength and determination, and if we have learned nothing else these past 20 months, it is that the only guarantee in life is change but that through change we can become, especially together, stronger and more determined. We were scattered to the corners of this nation through no fault of our own but we made it back home to begin again.

Before Katrina, home was, for many of us, a place where we parked our cars, a roof to keep out the rain, four walls to keep out the wind, and a floor to keep out the cold.

But the people of St. Bernard Parish have redefined home for an entire nation because now we know that home is the warmth of loving hearts, lights from happy eyes, loyalty, comradeship and love.....where the children are... that is home.

Doris Voitier giving her acceptance speech at the 2007 Profile in Courage Awards.



and essential services to hundreds of thousands of people who fled the Gulf Coast after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. White led a community-wide effort that included diverting convention and event business to open the region's convention center and public facilities to tens of thousands of evacuees. Houston offered innovative programs to provide more than 100,000 evacuees with long-term housing, job placement services and public education.

Doris Voitier began her career as a math teacher and had served in the St. Bernard Parish public school system for more than 30 years when she was appointed Superintendent in August, 2004. One year later, when every building in St. Bernard Parish was damaged or destroyed by Hurricane Katrina, Voitier worked boldly and tirelessly, without help from the state or federal government, to reopen school doors to any student who might

return home. Just weeks after the storm, Voitier reopened the first school to some 300 returning students, out of more than 8,000 who had been enrolled in parish schools before the disaster. By August 2007, just two years after the community succumbed to 15 feet of water, St. Bernard Parish will have reopened five school buildings to serve nearly 4,000 returning students.

The John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award is presented annually to public servants who have made courageous decisions of conscience without regard for the personal or professional consequences. 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 career, incurring the wrath of constituents or powerful interest groups, by taking principled stands for unpopular positions.

EXCERPT FROM THE ACCEPTANCE SPEECH OF MAYOR BILL WHITE

So many times our citizens have asked themselves the simple question posed by President Kennedy's brother, who spoke of dreaming things that never were and saying, why not? Why not?

Americans ask why not graduate more than 60% of our students from high school when Singapore can graduate all; why not undertake more preventive health care; why not cut expensive oil imports with autos and buildings designed to use less. And Americans asked why we couldn't act faster in evacuating tens of thousands stranded on rooftops and bridges for days in New Orleans. Why not?

... In Houston we put over 150,000 Americans on the road to self-sufficiency, with apartments, not trailers, schools, job training, and jobs. We used basic management principles, those typically used in business by those more concerned with results than rhetoric. We clearly defined each task, assigned the best person and organization to lead specialized teams, measured results, held people accountable, and changed tactics and responsibilities to improve performance daily. We threw away bureaucratic operating procedures and organizational charts.

For the complete remarks of Doris Voitier and Bill White, visit www.jfklibrary.org

Mayor Bill White giving his acceptance speech at the 2007 Profile in Courage Awards.

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Baltimore High School Student Takes Top Honors in National John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest

Maia Gottlieb, a sophomore at Baltimore City College High School, was recognized as the first place winner of the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest by Caroline Kennedy and other members of President Kennedy’s family during the May 21, 2007 Profile in Courage Award ceremony.

In her winning essay, *Shirley Chisholm: Challenging the System*, Gottlieb described how Chisholm, the first African American woman elected to the U.S. House of Representatives, took great political risks

as she challenged the seniority system on Capitol Hill. Gottlieb explained that as one of only nine black representatives in Congress, Chisholm felt it was essential that she serve on a committee relevant to her constituents and her background. Gottlieb wrote, “Risking the respect of her colleagues and her future in Congress, Shirley Chisholm had challenged the seniority system and won.”

Maia Gottlieb is the daughter Julie and Stephen Gottlieb and has two older brothers, Joshua and Eric. Maia’s love of history and politics brought the contest to her attention. She is a member of the award-winning Mock Trial team at Baltimore City College High School. Maia also participates in the Model U.N. program, the Student Government Association, and the soccer and badminton teams.

Gottlieb’s nominating teacher, Phillip Stephenson of Baltimore City College High School, will receive a John F.

Kennedy Public Service Grant in the amount of \$500 to be used for school projects that encourage

Maia Gottlieb being honored for her winning essay by Al Hunt, Chair of the Profile in Courage Award Committee, during the 2007 Profile in Courage Award ceremony.



Douglass Reed, Senior Vice President of Fidelity Investments; Al Hunt, Chair of the Profile in Courage Award Committee; Caroline Kennedy; nominating teacher Phillip Stephenson; and essay contest winner Maia Gottlieb.

student leadership and civic engagement. For her winning essay, Maia Gottlieb received a \$3,000 award.

This year 1,634 students submitted essays from across the nation, including forty-eight states and American citizens studying in Great Britain, Guam, and Japan.

This nationwide educational program is made possible, with the generous support of Fidelity Investments.

For more information on the Profile in Courage Essay Contest visit the contest’s website at www.jfklibrary.org.



Board Leads Profile in Courage Trust Drive to \$6 Million Mark

A sterling 100% Board participation drive, championed by Board Chairman Paul G. Kirk, Jr, catapulted the *Profile in Courage Trust* to \$6 million this spring. Launched on the 50th Anniversary of *Profiles in Courage*, the Trust is a dedicated fund to sustain the Profile in Courage Award for all time.

Thanks to the leadership of Kenneth R. Feinberg, Chair of the *Profile in Courage Trust*, the drive is now more than 60% toward its ultimate goal of \$9.2 million. To date, the Board’s total giving to the *Profile in Courage Trust* exceeds \$3 million.

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Remembering Arthur Schlesinger, Jr.

Arthur was a trusted friend and loyal advisor to President Kennedy, and a wonderful friend to me and to all of us in the Kennedy family. I will miss him terribly, but his contributions to this country will live on. Arthur's love for this country was evident in every word he wrote, and because of him, generations to come will have an invaluable understanding of American history. His life captured the spirit and wonderment of an age when possibilities seemed endless.

~ Senator Edward M. Kennedy, March 1, 2007

With deep regret, the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation marks the February 28, 2007 passing of Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr.

Schlesinger first joined President Kennedy's campaign as a speechwriter in 1960. The following year he was appointed Special Assistant to the President.

On the evening of November 27, 2006, Schlesinger was honored by the Kennedy Library Foundation, Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum, and members of the Kennedy family including Senator and Mrs. Edward M. Kennedy and Ambassador Jean Kennedy Smith at a special Kennedy Library Forum – *A Tribute to Arthur Schlesinger*. The Forum featured historians Alan Brinkley, Doris Kearns Goodwin and Sean Wilentz. John Seigenthaler, founder of the First Amendment Center at Vanderbilt University, moderated.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE KEYNOTE ADDRESS GIVEN BY DR. SCHLESINGER THAT EVENING:

Many signs point to a growing historical consciousness among the American people. I trust that this is so. It is useful to remember that history is to the nation as memory is to the individual. As persons deprived of memory become disoriented and lost, not knowing where they have been and where they are going, so a nation denied a conception of the past will be disabled in dealing with its present and its future. "The longer you look back," said Winston Churchill, "the further you can look forward." ► P27



Honoring Our Founders

PRESIDENT KENNEDY believed in honoring the best in our nation. It was in that spirit that his brother, Senator Edward M. Kennedy, led a stirring and memorable tribute last November to the Founding Benefactors of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation – part of the dedication ceremony unveiling a



Founding Benefactors Alan Solomont and Nancy Donahue.

permanent display in their honor. The newly erected display honors those institutions and individuals who made cumulative gifts of \$100,000 to more than \$1 million over two decades since the founding of the Kennedy Library Foundation in 1984.

"It's an honor to be here with all of you for the dedication of the Benefactors Wall at Jack's Library... because of the names inscribed forever in this wall, future generations will be able to understand a shining moment in history – a time that challenged each of us to do more for our country," remarked Senator Kennedy as he welcomed the esteemed guests.

Ambassador Jean Kennedy Smith, Senator Edward M. Kennedy and Victoria Reggie Kennedy with Arthur Schlesinger Jr., on November 27, 2006.

Jacqueline Kennedy Entertains: The Art of the White House Dinner

When Jacqueline Kennedy became first lady at the age of 31, she brought a new vision of the role the White House could play in the life of the nation. By 1963, her work to restore the White House rooms and furnishings had transformed it from a place where the president worked and lived into what she called “an emblem of the American Republic.” Under her leadership, the White House became a place of pilgrimage, a place to learn about America’s history and culture, a place to showcase America’s heritage. She transformed the White House into a stage to honor American intellectual and cultural achievement, and to celebrate the role of the arts in national life.



Sculpture of The Lion of Judah. Presented to the Kennedys by Ethiopian Emperor Haile Selassie.

In honor of her extraordinary work, on April 12, 2007 the Museum at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum unveiled a new exhibit, *Jacqueline Kennedy Entertains: The Art of the White House Dinner*.

The exhibit includes gowns worn by Jacqueline Kennedy at the White House, copies of remarks made at dinners by President Kennedy with his

own handwritten notes, and examples of a table setting used at dinners in the Kennedy White House. In addition, the exhibit includes Mrs. Kennedy’s handwritten memos and letters regarding entertainment, guest lists, seating plans, menus, table settings and flower arrangements which illustrate her personal involvement and attention to detail in planning the events.

Among the many items included in the exhibit are: a pink colored silk-dupioni shantung dress worn at a State Dinner honoring the French Minister of Culture, Andre Malraux; an evening dress in celadon silk jersey worn by Mrs. Kennedy at a White House Dinner honoring Nobel Prize-winners of the western hemisphere; a chartreuse silk faille evening dress with

Jacqueline Kennedy transformed the White House into a stage to honor American intellectual and cultural achievement, and to celebrate the role of the arts in national life.



President and Mrs. Kennedy escort President and Madame Houphouet-Boigny of the Ivory Coast to the State Dining Room following a private reception in the White House residence, May 22, 1962.



a shell top embroidered with crystal beads and sequins. This dress was worn by Mrs. Kennedy at a State Dinner honoring Governor Luis Muñoz Marín of Puerto Rico; a gold filigree necklace with red glass stones presented to Jacqueline Kennedy by Sudanese Prime Minister El Ferik Ibrahim Abboud; and a sculpture of the Lion of Judah made from silver and gold presented to the President and Mrs. Kennedy by Ethiopian Emperor Haile Selassie.

Jacqueline Kennedy Entertains: The Art of the White House Dinner will remain open until the Spring of 2008 and is sponsored by National Amusements. The media sponsor is WCVB-TV 5.

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Oleg Cassini evening dress in chartreuse silk faille with shell top embroidered with crystal beads and sequins. Worn by Mrs. Kennedy at the November 13, 1963 State dinner honoring Governor Luis Muñoz Marín of Puerto Rico. Copyright: John F. Kennedy Library Foundation.



The April 29, 1962 Dinner for Nobel Prize Winners of the Western Hemisphere. Mrs. Lady Bird Johnson, Pearl Buck, President Kennedy, Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy, Robert Frost. East Room, White House.

Oleg Cassini evening dress in celadon silk jersey. Worn by Mrs. Kennedy at the April 29, 1962 White House Dinner honoring Nobel winners of the Western Hemisphere. Copyright: John F. Kennedy Library Foundation.

President's Council Celebrates Public Service

On Monday, March 5, 2007, Caroline Kennedy and Paul G. Kirk, Jr. hosted the *President's Council of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation*. Senator and Mrs. Edward M. Kennedy joined the lively dinner that welcomed the Kennedy Library Foundation's most generous annual supporters over the last year. 2006 *Profile in Courage Award* recipient, Alberto Mora, was this year's special guest. Mora captivated dinner guests with reflective and impassioned remarks on his experience as a Profile in Courage Award recipient and the importance of supporting the Foundation's work to promote political courage.

Co-chaired by Caroline Kennedy and Paul G. Kirk, Jr., the President's Council gathers each year at John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum in recognition of those individuals and institutions, listed below, whose annual support of \$25,000 and above helps to preserve and perpetuate President Kennedy's legacy.



Board Chairman Paul G. Kirk, Jr. with Cleve Killingsworth, CEO of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts.



Michael and Kimberly Lombard.



Victoria Reggie Kennedy and Caroline Kennedy with Chuck and Heather Campion of Citizens Bank.

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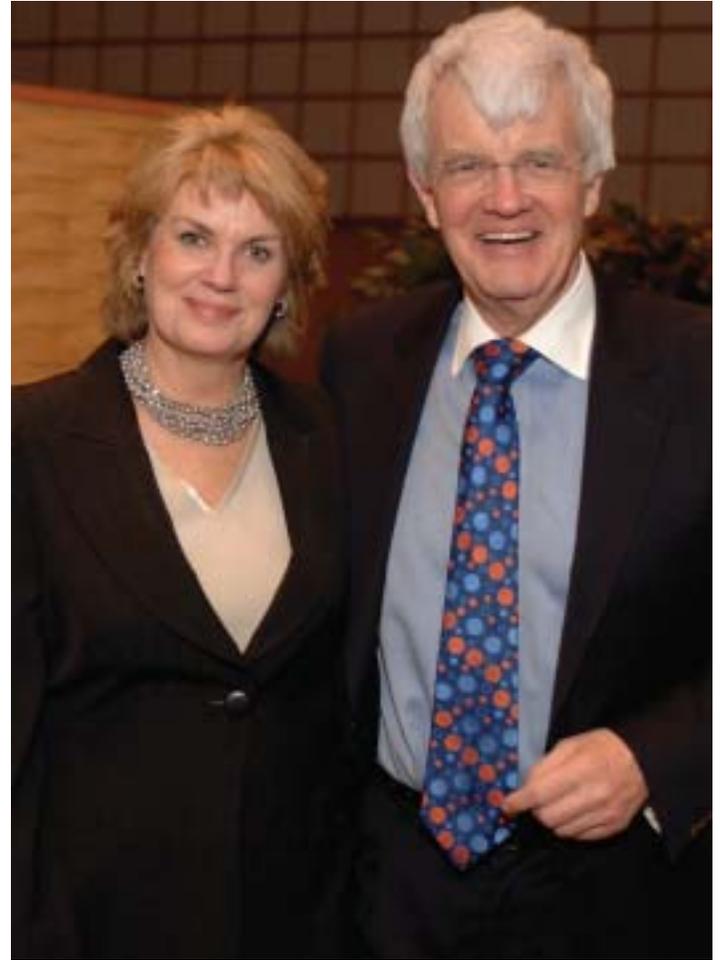
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2007 May Dinner Makes History

May Dinner Co-Chairs Gerry Doherty and Shari Redstone achieved an unprecedented success at the Nineteenth Annual May Dinner on May 20, 2007, raising a historic \$1.5 million to support the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation. Board Chairman Paul G. Kirk Jr. noted that the record-breaking participation in this year's dinner was especially meaningful as the Kennedy Library marked the 90th anniversary of President Kennedy's birth. Over 550 guests joined Caroline Kennedy, Edwin Schlossberg, Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Victoria Reggie Kennedy, and Ambassador Jean Kennedy Smith, for the evening.

Senator Kennedy told those gathered, "This Library was always conceived by President Kennedy as not just a place to store the papers of his administration, but as a place that would inspire future generations to understand public service."

The generosity of our May Dinner supporters, led by the 2007 May Dinner Legacy Laureates, The Feinberg Group, LLP and Clive F. Palmer, is making President Kennedy's vision for his Library a reality by providing the unrestricted funds that support the Kennedy Library free educational and community service programs.



Legacy Champion and Staples CEO Ron Sargent and his wife Jill with Joy Errico of Staples and her husband Chris Suesing.



2007 May Dinner Co-Chairs Gerard F. Doherty and Shari E. Redstone. Doherty celebrated his 15th year as co-chair.



New Foundation Board Member Gerald Schuster with Michele and Howard Kessler and Elaine Schuster.



May Dinner guests and members of Boston Women Build in the Bayou: from left, Mimi LaCamera; Presidential Partner Carol Fulp of John Hancock; Mary Jo Meisner from The Boston Foundation; Michael Wasserman; Cheryl Cronin; Boston's First Lady Angela Menino; Vice President for Development Sandy Sedacca and Deborah Jackson.

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Giving Strategy for 2007 — IRA Charitable Rollover

A MESSAGE FROM JILL KER CONWAY

Like you, I am heartened when I learn of new giving options that can help me advance the mission and work of a place that inspires my support – the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation.

I eagerly wanted to learn more about the Pension Protection Act of 2006: it contains an IRA Charitable Rollover Provision that allows those of us who are at least 70½ years old to make a tax-free distribution of up to \$100,000 annually to qualified charities. The Kennedy Library Foundation is amongst those charities eligible to receive tax-free IRA distributions.

Every year, it is a personal privilege to help the Kennedy Library Foundation continue its marvelous work. I am delighted that the IRA Charitable Rollover provision presents new ways for me to think about supporting the Kennedy Library.

This provision applies to transfers made before December 31, 2007 and applies only to traditional IRAs and Roth IRAs. This giving strategy can be helpful to those with heavy income tax burdens because one does not have to report the IRA withdrawal as income on one's tax return. However, one will not receive a charitable income tax deduction for such a contribution.

Of note, gifts must be transmitted directly from your IRA's plan administrator to the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation. Any qualified charitable distribution that you make will "count" toward your required minimum distribution – the amount you are required by law to withdraw annually beginning at age 70½. In addition, an IRA charitable rollover will not affect your other charitable gifts to which deduction limitations may apply.



Jill Ker Conway, Board Member, John F. Kennedy Library Foundation.

I hope you will consider this option as you think about ways to support the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation. If you would like more information about the the IRA Charitable Rollover, please call Doris Drummond, CFO, at (617) 514-1668 or send her an email at doris.drummond@jfkfoundation.org. She will be glad to assist you or your financial advisors. You have my gratitude for your interest in supporting this national treasure.

The information presented here is not legal or tax advice. Please consult an attorney or tax advisor in making such gifts. They can best guide your decisions as they pertain to your individual circumstances.

Irene Gardner: Kennedy Devotee and Collector

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is honored to be a beneficiary of the estate of Irene Gardner. A devotee of President Kennedy and his brother Robert, Mrs. Gardner owned an extensive collection of historical books, recordings and other items relevant to the Kennedy Presidency.

Mrs. Gardner was born in Germany and served in the British Army in World War II. She later moved to the United States

and was a 1951 graduate of New York University. Mrs. Gardner was once quoted as saying, "All my life – as soon as I entered a library or even a book store, I felt a sudden surge of happiness – exactly as Holly Golightly felt at Tiffany's in *Breakfast at Tiffany's*." (Progressions, Spring 2004, New York University Libraries)

Mrs. Gardner's love of books and the Kennedy era define her legacy at the

Kennedy Library, now memorialized forever through her generous bequest gift of \$350,000 to further the Library's work and mission.

If you have included the Kennedy Library in your will, we'd like to thank you! For inquiries about the full range of estate planning options, please call Amy Goldman, Planned Giving Advisor at (617) 514-1532 or send her an email at amy.goldman@jfkfoundation.org.

Digital Archives Breaking New Ground

The Board of Directors of the Kennedy Library Foundation has designated the groundbreaking initiative of creating a digital archive of President Kennedy's papers as a top priority. Foundation CEO John Shattuck has been authorized to raise the needed revenue and devote the necessary resources to accomplish the goal in the coming years.

In addition to partnering with EMC Corporation, which has donated more than \$1 million in sophisticated hardware and software to undertake the project of creating the first-ever digital archive of an entire presidency, the Kennedy Library Foundation has named a project manager to oversee the initiative and has hired three Metadata Catalogers to help Archive staff facilitate the digitization and description of the original archival records.

The initiative's objectives – under the direction and supervision of the National Archives and Kennedy Library Archives staff – are to digitize, index and archive millions of presidential documents, manuscripts, photographs and audiovisual materials; to provide online access to a worldwide audience; to allow the collection to be searched using metadata; to protect historical assets through remote replication; and to minimize wear and tear on irreplaceable physical assets.

"This project is really about democratizing information," said Ron Whealan, head librarian at the Kennedy Library and a member of the project team. "The collection will be accessible to anyone, not just scholars and historians who have the resources to make the trip to Boston." People will be able to immerse themselves in the defining events of the era, including the civil rights movement, the race to send a man to the moon, Cold War tensions with the Soviet

Union, and the Cuban Missile Crisis, which brought the world to the brink of nuclear war.

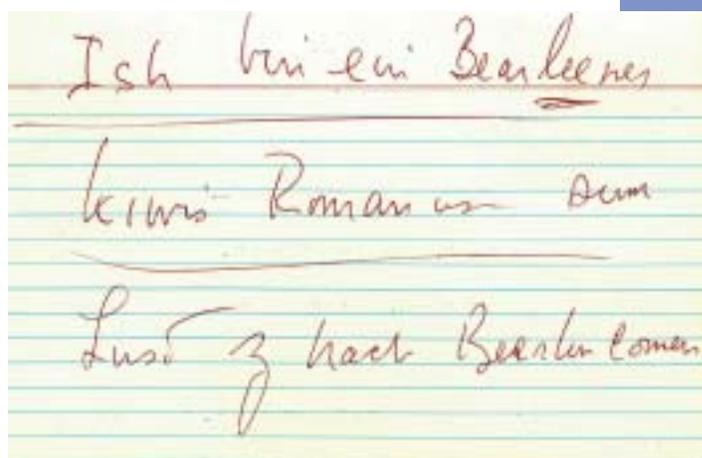
To enhance their searchability, files will be indexed by extracting metadata that describes a file's attributes and contents. "Indexing is still largely a manual process, so it's one of the most labor-intensive and time-consuming steps in the archiving process," says project manager Sue Saunders, the Kennedy Library Foundation's Director of Web and Digital Asset Management. "However, with so many institutions implementing projects like this, we think the tools are going to become more automated in the near future."

The team will begin by digitizing President Kennedy's official papers including secret Oval Office recordings of meetings and telephone conversations. "Next to the National Security files, this is probably the most important collection in the Library," says Whealan. "It provides a remarkable view into the workings of the White House."

The JFK team is also considering the most efficient way to categorize a huge collection of materials, both to preserve the historical context in which the materials were created and to aid user navigation. "There's no way we can individually describe millions of pages, so we are going to preserve in the electronic world the structure that was used to organize the files in the physical world," says Whealan. "There will be a speeches

file, a correspondence file, a departments and agencies file, and so on. This allows us to describe multiple folders and files as a batch."

"As the digital preservation movement grows and matures, relevant standards – such as those for open archiving and metadata – will continue to evolve," says Saunders. Technology standards will change too.



President Kennedy used this handwritten note card while delivering his speech to the people of Berlin on June 26, 1963 at Rudolph Wilde Platz. On it he phonetically spelled German phrases from his speech, including "Ish bin ein Bearleener".

For example, access to archived files could be affected by changes in standards for storage. "We need to make sure what we're doing now aligns with today's standards and positions us to comply with emerging standards," she says.

In the coming years, the complete holdings of the Library will be made available via the Library's website, www.jfklibrary.org. The project will serve as a model for digitizing 11 other presidential libraries administered by the National Archives.

Portions of this story were excerpted from "Preserving Humanity's Information Heritage," by Christine Kane, ON Magazine, Spring 2007.

Ernest Hemingway's Letters to Actress Marlene Dietrich Made Available for the First Time

On April 2, 2007, The John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum opened thirty letters written by Nobel Prize-winning author Ernest Hemingway to Marlene Dietrich – the world renowned actress of early film and stage. The letters were written between 1949 and 1959, and were donated to the Kennedy Presidential Library in 2003 by Marlene Dietrich's daughter Maria Riva, under the condition that the letters remain closed until 2007.

The Ernest Hemingway Collection at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library spans Hemingway's entire career, and contains ninety percent of existing Hemingway manuscript materials, making the Kennedy Library the world's principal center for research on the life and work of Ernest Hemingway.

"These extraordinary letters reveal Hemingway as a loyal and caring friend," said Tom Putnam, Director of the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum. "When



Nobel Prize-winning writer Ernest Hemingway at his Cuban home circa 1948.

"One time I had a wonderful plan and resolve to only love one person. This plan was known as The Seven Year Monogamy Plan. It went to hell too."

~ Hemingway writing to Dietrich on January 7, 1950

combined with the Library's collection of correspondences from Dietrich to Hemingway, these new letters help to complete the story of a remarkable friendship between two exceptional individuals which has never been made available to the public before in such depth."

"If she had nothing more than her voice she could break your heart with it. But she has that beautiful body and the timeless loveliness of her face. It makes no difference how she breaks your heart if she is there to mend it."

~ Hemingway writing about Dietrich – September 26, 1951 from an unpublished article for LIFE

Spanning from 1949 until 1959, the thirty correspondences written by Ernest Hemingway to Marlene Dietrich include seven hand signed letters, eighteen type signed letters, four telegrams, and a Christmas card. Hemingway wrote to the German-born actress from: San Francisco de Paula, Cuba; Ketchum, Idaho; Paris, France; Venezia, Italy; Madrid and Malaga, Spain; and Nairobi, Kenya. These new letters add to the Hemingway Collection which already includes thirty-one letters and telegrams from Marlene Dietrich to Hemingway written between 1950 and 1961 as well as two photographs Dietrich sent to Hemingway and an article on Hemingway written by Dietrich titled: *The Most Fascinating Man I Know*.

In addition to the Hemingway letters, Mrs. Riva also donated drafts of three Hemingway manuscripts – *Across the River and into the Trees*, *The Good Lion*, and *The Story of the Faithful Bull* – as well as two Hemingway poems, *First Poem to Mary in London* and *Poem to Mary*. The draft of *Across the River and into the Trees* is a carbon typescript,

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My dearest Marlene : I write this early in the morning, the hour that poor people and soldiers and sailors wake from habit , to send you small letter for if you are lonely or anything .

"Papa – What is it? Whatever it is – I don't like it. I don't know geography, so I don't know where you are but I will come to see you if you want me. Will stay in NY through June, July. I have to take care of the other kids. I love you, Your Kraut."

~ Dietrich writing to Hemingway while he was in the Mayo Clinic on April 16, 1961

234 pages in length, in ink with pencil corrections. The draft includes deleted passages that do not appear in the published version, making this early draft significantly different from the published version.

Marlene Dietrich (1901-1992) was discovered in Germany in 1929 by director Josef von Sternberg, who promptly cast her in *The Blue Angel*, Germany's first talking film. Dietrich headed to Hollywood with her unique sung-spoken singing style and developed her femme-fatale film persona. At the same time, Hollywood producers were knocking on the door of Ernest Hemingway (1899-1961), eager for the movie rights to his novels and short stories. The two met in 1934 aboard the *S.S. Ile de France* and remained friends for life. After becoming an American citizen, Dietrich made more than 500 personal appearances before allied troops during the Second World War. After the war Dietrich continued to make successful films and perform in nightclubs.

To learn more about the Hemingway Collection, or to find out how to make an appointment to conduct research, visit www.jfklibrary.org or call (866) JFK1960.

I love you very much ,

Papa



Marlene Dietrich performs in a top hat and tails. This photo was enclosed with a letter from Dietrich to Ernest Hemingway dated 21 May 1959.

"What do you really want to do for a life work? Break everybody's heart for a dime? You could always break mine for a nickel and I'd bring the nickel."

~ Hemingway writing to Dietrich on June 19, 1950

Patrick Hemingway Presents the 2007 PEN/Hemingway Awards

On Sunday, April 1, author Ben Fountain was awarded the 2007 PEN/Hemingway Award for his distinguished first book of fiction, *Brief Encounters with Che Guevara* (HarperCollins), at the annual PEN/Hemingway Award ceremony hosted by the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum. Patrick Hemingway, the son of Nobel Prize-winning writer, Ernest Hemingway, presented the award to Mr. Fountain.

The Pen/Hemingway Award is given annually to a novel or book of short stories by an American author who has not previously published a book of fiction. Two finalists, Rebecca Johns for *Icebergs* (Bloomsbury USA) and Yvette Christianse for *Unconfessed* (Other Press), were also recognized for their

achievements. Jann Levin (*A Madman Dreams of Turing Machines* – Alfred A. Knopf) and Marisha Pessl (*Special Topics in Calamity Physics* – Viking) both received honorable mentions for their works. Judges for the award were acclaimed fiction writers Elizabeth Berg, Chang-rae Lee and Sue Miller.

As this year's recipient, Ben Fountain received an \$8,000 prize from the Hemingway Foundation and a one week residency in The Distinguished Visiting Writers Series at the University of Idaho's MFA Program in Creative Writing. Fountain and competition finalists and runners-up received Ucross Residency

Fellowships at the Ucross Foundation in Wyoming, a retreat for artists and writers.

The late Mary Hemingway, the wife of Ernest Hemingway, founded the Hemingway Foundation/PEN Award in 1976 to honor her late husband and draw attention to first books of fiction.

The John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum is the world's principle center for research on the life and works of Ernest Hemingway. Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis described Mary Hemingway's gift of Ernest Hemingway's papers as helping "to fulfill our hopes that the Library will become a center for the study of American civilization, in all its aspects." Mrs. Onassis brought the presentation of the Hemingway Foundation/PEN Award to the Kennedy Library from New York.

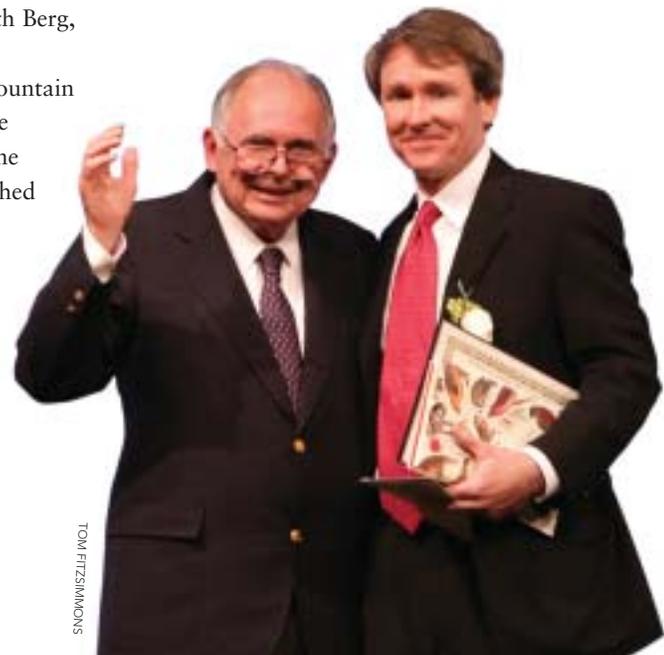
The John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum, the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation, PEN New England, Cerulli Associates, Friends of the Hemingway Collection, The Boston Globe Foundation, the Ernest Hemingway Foundation/Society, and the Ucross Foundation sponsor the presentation of the awards.

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Pulitzer Prize-winning author Edward P. Jones delivers the award ceremony's keynote address.

Patrick Hemingway presents the 2007 PEN/Hemingway Award to author Ben Fountain.



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USS John F. Kennedy

FINAL PORT OF CALL: BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

It weighs-in at 82,000-tons, is wider than two football fields, is as tall from keel to mast as a 23-story building, is home to about 5,000 and on March 1, 2007, the *USS John F. Kennedy* arrived at the North Jetty in South Boston for the final stop of its farewell tour before being decommissioned in Mayport, Florida. The *USS John F. Kennedy* remains a product of 1960's technology and unlike other modernized aircraft carriers that run on nuclear power, the *USS JFK* was one of only two active U.S. aircraft carriers that was not nuclear-powered and ran on oil.

In May 1967, Caroline Kennedy, then 9, christened the ship in her father's name during a ceremony held in Newport News, Virginia. The *USS John F. Kennedy* served off the coast of Lebanon in the '80s, the Red Sea during the first Gulf War, it helped start Operation Desert Storm in 1991, and was among the first warships to respond to the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks targeting the Taliban and Al Qaeda in Afghanistan.

In honor of the ship's visit to Boston, the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation, with the generous support of Raytheon Integrated Defense Systems, hosted a private tour of the Museum and a reception in the Kennedy Presidential Library's Pavilion for the aircraft carrier's crew.

Members of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation and Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum were also treated to a tour of the aircraft carrier hosted by members of the ship's crew.



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Nine year-old Caroline Kennedy christens the *USS John F. Kennedy* Aircraft Carrier in May of 1967.



Sailors from the *USS JFK* being treated to a reception in the Pavilion following a tour of the Museum at the JFK Presidential Library.

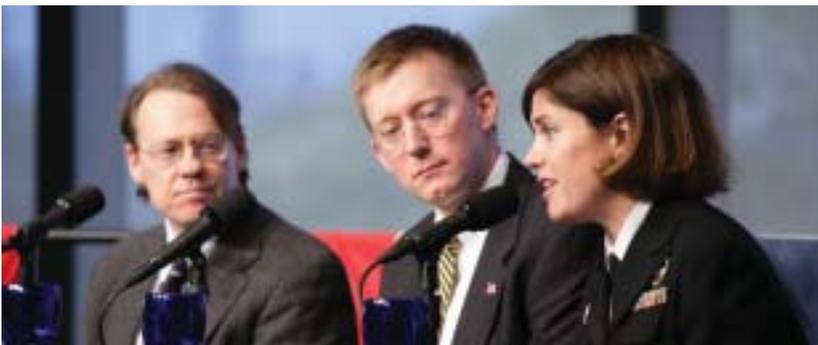
Kennedy Library Forums



Interpreting the Mid-Term Elections, November 15
Robert Blendon, Director of the Harvard Opinion Research Program, Jim Braude, host of NECN's *NewsNight With Jim Braude*, and Andrew Kohut, Director of the Pew Research Center, interpret the results of the November 7th mid-term elections.



Darfur: Not on Our Watch, May 4
Actor and activist Don Cheadle discusses the situation in Darfur and his new book *Not on Our Watch*, with the book's co-author John Prendergast and WBZ-TV's Liz Walker.



Operation Homecoming, November 11
Members and former members of the U.S. military discuss their wartime stories through poems, essays and short stories. Operation Homecoming is a program created by the National Endowment for the Arts to encourage soldiers to write about their wartime experiences.



Challenges in Iraq, April 17
Ali Allawi, former Minister of Defense and Minister of Finance in the Iraqi Transitional Government, discusses the war in Iraq. Also taking part were Ambassador Barbara Bodine, Ambassador Peter Galbraith and *Boston Globe* columnist Kevin Cullen.



A Tribute to August Wilson, January 15
Tony Award nominated actor Charles Dutton performs a scene from August Wilson's *Ma Rainey's Black Bottom*.



Faith and Politics, March 18
Former Lt. Governor of Maryland and eldest daughter of Robert F. Kennedy, Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, discusses her new book *Failing America's Faithful: How Today's Churches are Mixing God with Politics and Losing Their Way*.



Reflections on the 20th Century, March 12
Former *New York Times* columnist Anthony Lewis shakes hands with an audience member following a discussion of the changes during the last century that have shaped our nation and the world. Historian Jill Ker Conway and NPR's Daniel Schorr and Scott Simon also took part in the discussion.

The Progressive/Conservative Debate, October 30
President and CEO of the Center for American Progress, John Podesta, debates the issues – from stem cell research to the war on terror – that define and often divide American politics today. William Kristol, editor of *The Weekly Standard* and Evan Thomas, Assistant Managing Editor for *Newsweek*, also took part in this debate.



Presidential Speechwriters, February 19
Theodore Sorensen, Special Counsel and speechwriter for President Kennedy greets Chiss Winston who served as Director of the Office of Speechwriting for President George H.W. Bush prior to the forum to discuss the art of capturing a president's voice, communicating his ideas, and inspiring the public. Ray Price, speechwriter for President Nixon and Ted Widmer, foreign policy speechwriter for President Clinton also took part in this discussion.

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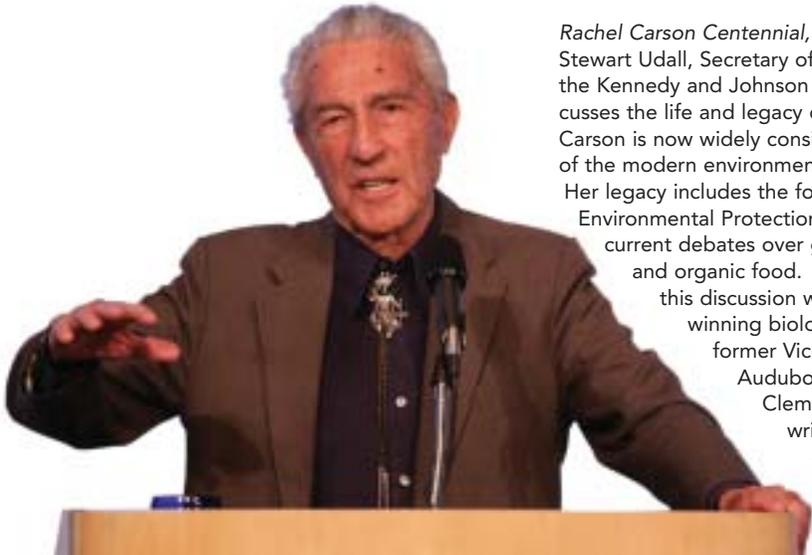


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Rachel Carson Centennial, June 2
Stewart Udall, Secretary of the Interior in the Kennedy and Johnson administrations, discusses the life and legacy of Rachel Carson. Carson is now widely considered the mother of the modern environmental movement. Her legacy includes the founding of the Environmental Protection Agency and the current debates over global warming and organic food. Also taking part in this discussion were Pulitzer Prize-winning biologist E.O. Wilson, former Vice President of the Audubon Society, Roland Clement, and nature writer and co-producer of *A River Runs Through It*, Annick Smith.

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Promoting Peace and International Dialogue

ONE OF THE GREATEST STRENGTHS of the Kennedy Library is its convening power. The Kennedy Library and Foundation now organize more than 25 major forums, conferences and roundtable discussions a year, drawing capacity audiences and major media to all public events, bringing speakers from across the country and the world. This past year the Kennedy Library Foundation expanded its role as convener by sponsoring several smaller round-table discussions to provide a source of support and legitimacy for efforts to promote peace in areas of interna-

tional conflict. These nonpublic arenas for invited groups of experts, and interested citizens from the community help to foster a more candid and freewheeling discussion than might occur in a public forum. In September, the Foundation convened a four-day conference of media professionals from the Middle East, Northern Ireland and the United States to discuss experiences in reporting on conflict. During the early part of 2007, the Kennedy Library Foundation sponsored several roundtable discussions on the genocide in Darfur, the war in Iraq, and role of Iran in the Middle East.

The Crisis in Darfur – A Tribute to Eric Reeves

On Friday, February 16, John Shattuck and the Kennedy Library Foundation were joined by Physicians for Human Rights and Amnesty International, USA in hosting a luncheon honoring Eric Reeves, a leading advocate for stopping the genocide in Darfur. A professor at Smith College, Reeves has taken a leave from teaching

to devote himself full-time to the crisis in Sudan. Reeves has become one of the foremost U.S. experts on the conflict in Darfur and is a behind-the-scenes leader of the current Darfur divestment movement sweeping across American cities and campuses. During the luncheon, Reeves spoke of the movement's efforts to use the 2008 Summer Olympic Games in

Beijing as a platform to bring pressure to bear on the Chinese government - one of Sudan's largest trade partners - to use its influence over the government of Sudan to stop the bloodshed in Darfur. The luncheon discussion led to the publication of "Genocide Games," a major feature article on Darfur in *The Boston Sunday Globe*.

Josh Rubenstein of Amnesty International, Eric Reeves, John Shattuck, CEO of the Kennedy Library Foundation, Susannah Sirkin of Physicians for Human Rights and Liz Walker of WBZ-TV.

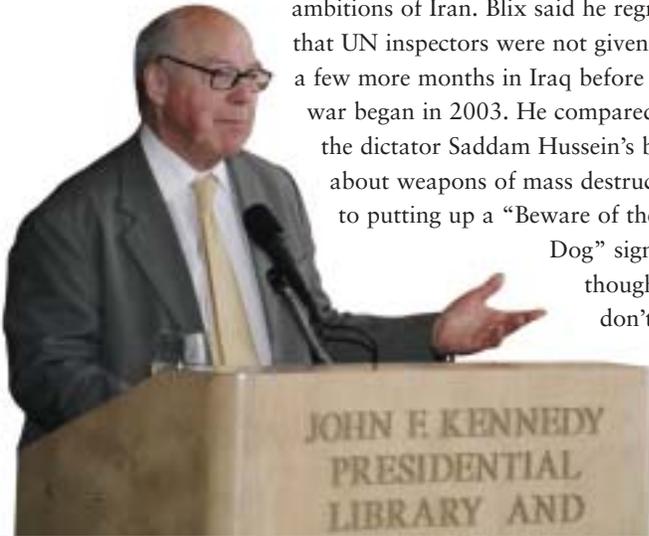


Hans Blix, Chief UN Weapons Inspector for Iraq

On Wednesday, March 14, John Shattuck and the Kennedy Library Foundation hosted a luncheon for Hans Blix, Chief UN Weapons Inspector for Iraq from 2001-2003. Dr. Blix spoke about his experience determining whether Saddam Hussein possessed weapons of mass destruction and about the current crisis in the Middle East, including the nuclear ambitions of Iran. Blix said he regretted that UN inspectors were not given a few more months in Iraq before the war began in 2003. He compared the dictator Saddam Hussein's bluffs about weapons of mass destruction to putting up a "Beware of the Dog" sign even though you don't have

a dog. "Iraq was a case of succeeding in disarmament without knowing it," Blix said. He said the United States, the European Union and the United Nations should offer Iran the same assurances and incentives that have been given to North Korea to stop the development of nuclear weapons, namely assurances that it would not be attacked, and that diplomatic relations would be reestablished. Blix estimated that the potential nuclear threat in Pakistan — especially if President Pervez Musharraf is overthrown or replaced by a fundamentalist regime — could be more serious than that posed by North Korea or Iran. The luncheon was attended by leading members of the press, business and academic community and was the subject of a major news story in *The Boston Globe*. Before serving as UN Weapons Inspector in Iraq, Blix was Sweden's Minister for Foreign Affairs, and from 1981 until 1997, served as Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency.

Former Chief United Nations Weapons Inspector for Iraq, Hans Blix, speaking during a luncheon in the Stephen Smith Center at the Kennedy Presidential Library on March 14, 2007.



Nicholas Burns, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs

JOHN SHATTUCK AND THE KENNEDY LIBRARY FOUNDATION hosted a luncheon for R. Nicholas Burns, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, the Department of State's third ranking official, who spoke about American foreign policy toward Iran. Burns, who oversees U.S. diplomacy in each region of the world, said that if given enough time, diplomatic efforts to squeeze Iran economically and isolate the country politically will derail Iranian efforts to develop nuclear weapons and destabilize Iraq. During his remarks, Burns said force must be an option as the U.S. works to end Iran's nuclear weapons program and stop it from financing Mideast terror. But he said military conflict with Iran is "neither inevitable



Dr. Fatemeh Haghightajou, former reformist member of the Iranian Parliament, and her husband, Mr. Mohammed Tahavori, speaking with U.S. Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, R. Nicholas Burns, on April 11, 2007.

nor desirable" because Iran's divided regime is susceptible to international pressure. The luncheon was attended by leading members of the press, business and academic community

and was the subject of a major Associated Press story that was incorporated into a feature article in the *Washington Post* the following morning.

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The Kennedy Library Foundation is honored to be one of the many beneficiaries of Liberty Mutual Group's commitment to good corporate citizenship. Earlier this year, Liberty Mutual Foundation made a generous donation of \$75,000 to fund the Library's Free School Bus Program. The program, which has grown in popularity over the last six years, is a key element in the Library's outreach to Boston Public School students, and provides students and teachers with free transportation for field trips to the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum.

"The Kennedy Library Foundation's Free School Bus Program is helping Boston's youth make the trip and 'make the grade' by exposing them to important historic facts and civic values," said Melissa MacDonnell, Vice President and Director of Corporate Public Affairs for Liberty Mutual Group. "At the Library, youth take a walk through history and experience the Kennedy legacy first hand. The Kennedy Library is an educational treasure we



A group of school children taking part in a guided Museum tour program with Esther Kohn of the Education Department at the Kennedy Presidential Library.

want no child to miss merely because of transportation costs."

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But all historians are prisoners of their own experience. We bring to history the preconceptions of our personality and the preoccupations of our age. We cannot seize on ultimate and absolute truths. So the historian is committed to a doomed enterprise – the quest for an unattainable objectivity. Yet it is an enterprise we happily pursue because of the thrill of the hunt, because exploring the past is such fun, because of the intellectual challenges involved, because a nation needs to know its own history (or so we historians like to think).

But conceptions of the past are far from stable. They are perennially revised by the urgencies of the present. When new urgencies arise in our own times and lives, the historian's spotlight shifts, probing at last into the darkness, throwing into sharp relief things that were always there but that earlier historians had carelessly excised from the collective memory. New voices ring out of the historical dark and demand to be heard.

One has only to note how in the last half century the women's rights movement and the civil rights movement have reformulated and renewed American history. Thus the present incessantly recreates, reinvents the past. In this sense, all history, as Benedetto Croce said, is contemporary history. It is these permutations of consciousness that make history so endlessly fascinating an intellectual adventure. "The one duty we owe to history," said Oscar Wilde, "is to rewrite it."

We are the world's dominant military power, and I believe history is a moral necessity for a nation possessed of overweening power. History verifies John F. Kennedy's proposition when he said in the first year of his thousand days: "We must face the fact that the United States is neither omnipotent or omniscient – that we are only six percent of the



Arthur Schlesinger Jr. and his wife Alexandra watch the Kennedy Library Forum – *A Tribute to Arthur Schlesinger*.

world's population – that we cannot impose our will upon the other 94 percent of mankind – that we cannot right every wrong or reverse each adversity – and therefore there cannot be an American solution to every world problem.”

History is the best antidote to delusions of omnipotence and omniscience. Self-knowledge is the indispensable prelude to self-control, for the nation as well as the individual, and history should forever remind us of the limits of our passing perspectives. It should strengthen us to resist the pressure to convert momentary impulses into moral absolutes. It should lead us to acknowledge our profound and chastening frailty as human beings – to a recognition of the fact, so often and so sadly displayed, that the future outwits all our certitudes and that the possibilities of history are far more various than the human intellect is designed to conceive.

Sometimes, when I am particularly depressed, I ascribe our behavior to stupidity – the stupidity of our leadership, the stupidity of our culture. Thirty years ago, we suffered a military defeat – fighting an unwinnable war against nationalism, against a country about which we knew nothing and in which we had no vital interests. Vietnam was hopeless enough, but to repeat the same

arrogant folly thirty years later in Iraq is a gross instance of national stupidity. Axel Oxenstiern: “Behold, my son, with how little wisdom the world is governed.”

A nation informed by a vivid understanding of the ironies of history, is, I believe, best equipped to live with the temptations and tragedy of military power. Let us not bully our way through life but let a growing sense of history temper and civilize our use of that power. In the meantime, let a thousand historical flowers bloom. History is never a closed book or a final verdict. It is forever in the making. Let historians never forsake the quest for knowledge in the interest of an ideology, a religion, a race, a nation.

The great strength of history in a free society is its capacity for self-correction. This is the endless excitement of historical writing – the search to reconstruct what went before, a quest illuminated by those ever-changing prisms that continually place old questions in a new light.

As the great Dutch historian Pieter Geyl was fond of saying, “History is indeed an argument without end.” That, I believe, is why we love it so.

~ Arthur Schlesinger, Jr.

Red Sox Kid Nation Partners with the Kennedy Library

Watching the Boston Red Sox play baseball is a favorite past time here in Boston. We all enjoy cheering our beloved team on to victory. When the Red Sox created their Red Sox Kid Nation program it became immediately popular with the 14 and under crowd and the membership has grown exponentially each year. Each Red Sox Kid Nation member receives a membership kit which includes a lunch box, hat, shoelaces, temporary tattoos, a rally wristband, discounts to specific games, the chance to announce "Play ball" at the beginning of a game and discounts at attractions in the Boston area.

Since 2004, the Red Sox Foundation has been a generous supporter of youth outreach programs presented at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum. In 2006, the Kennedy Library became a partner with the Red Sox Kid Nation program, helping to ensure that all the members of Red Sox Kid Nation have an opportunity to learn more about the life and legacy of President Kennedy. When a member of Red Sox Kid Nation visits the museum they are offered free



admission. After their visit to the museum they can show their membership card in the museum store to receive a commemorative baseball bat (18") and a photo of John F. Kennedy with Eddy Pellagrini, Ted Williams and Hank Greenberg at Fenway Park. The story behind the photo is quite historic. In April 1946, a 28-year-old

John F. Kennedy posed for a photo with Williams, Pellagrini and Greenberg at Fenway Park during a game against Detroit. In the days following that photo, Kennedy would make his debut into politics and announce his candidacy for the US Congress, eventually becoming our 35th President.

With the baseball season well underway, we look forward to welcoming many Kid Nation members to come and get inspired!



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