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Kofi Annan and Dean Koldenhoven Honored as Profiles in Courage

The John F. Kennedy Library Foundation honored United Nations Secretary General Kofi Annan and former Palos Heights (IL) Mayor Dean Koldenhoven as its 2002 John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award recipients on May 6.

Secretary General Annan was honored for his courageous leadership and decisive response in the aftermath of September 11th and his ongoing work for human rights and peace worldwide.

"Whether fighting AIDS in Africa, genocide in Kosovo, or terrorism around the world, the Secretary General has risked the wrath of world powers and many other countries to do what he believes is right," said Senator Edward M. Kennedy at the May 6th ceremony. "He has made the United Nations a champion of human rights."

Dean Koldenhoven garnered the prestigious award for political courage in recognition of his actions against bigotry and religious intolerance while serving as mayor of Palos Heights, Illinois, a Chicago

suburb of 12,000. Two years ago, when an Islamic group attempted to purchase and restore a neglected Palos Heights church for its place of worship, several residents and city councilors worked aggressively to block the sale and deny the sect a home in their city. Mayor Koldenhoven responded by calling for religious tolerance and adherence

to the principles of American freedom. In the end, the Islamic group abandoned its plans and the mayor lost his bid for re-election, but dialogue groups sprouted and Palos Heights Muslims and non-Muslims continue to work to better understand each other.

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to his principles with unwavering resolve and honored our history, his own deep faith, and our Bill of Rights. He showed us that the dangerous walls of religious intolerance must be torn down," said Senator Kennedy. "He is truly a Profile in Courage."

The John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award is presented annually to an elected official who has withstood strong opposition from constituents, powerful interest groups, or adversaries to follow what he or she believes is the right course of action. The award is named for President Kennedy's 1957 Pulitzer Prize-winning book, *Profiles in Courage*, which recounts

the stories of eight U.S. senators who risked their careers to fight for what they believed in.

"President Kennedy felt his greatest admiration for those in politics who had the courage to make decisions of conscience without fear of the consequences," said Caroline Kennedy, president of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation. "It is this kind

"Perhaps the greatest test of leadership comes when a leader needs to go against the passions of the day, make decisions of conscience, choose compromise over conflict, negotiation over violence, peace over war." – U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan

of courage for which we honor Secretary General Kofi Annan and Dean Koldenhoven."

John Seigenthaler, founder of the First Amendment Center at Vanderbilt University, chairs the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award Committee, which receives nominations and selects each year's award recipients. Committee members are David Burke, former president of CBS News; Thad Cochran, U.S. senator from Mississippi; Marian Wright Edelman, president of the Children's Defense Fund; Antonia Hernandez, president of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund; Elaine Jones, director-counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund; Caroline Kennedy, president of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation; Edward M. Kennedy, U.S. senator from Massachusetts; Paul G. Kirk, Jr., chairman of the board of directors of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation; David McCullough, presidential historian and Pulitzer Prize-winning author; and Olympia Snowe, U.S. senator from Maine.



Caroline Kennedy and Senator Kennedy present the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award to Secretary General Kofi Annan.

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The John F. Kennedy Library Foundation created the Profile in Courage Award in 1989 to honor President Kennedy's commitment and contribution to public service. It is presented annually in May, in celebration of President Kennedy's May 29th birthday. Described by one recipient as the "Nobel in government," the Profile in Courage Award is accompanied by a sterling silver lantern representing a beacon of hope. The lantern was designed by Edwin Schlossberg, Inc. and crafted by Tiffany & Co.



Caroline Kennedy and Profile in Courage Award recipient Dean Koldenhoven.

PUBLIC SERVANTS HONORED FOR SEPTEMBER 11TH RESPONSE

The Profile in Courage Award Committee bestowed a special award for public service to the thousands of public servants who demonstrated extraordinary courage and heroism in response to the tragic events of September 11, 2001.

"I'm pleased to have the distinct privilege of paying tribute to the

public servants of the United States," said Caroline Kennedy. "The heart-breaking events of September 11th brought to our families, to our communities, and to our nation overwhelming loss. But in those terrible moments, thousands of ordinary men and women put their own lives on the line in order that others might be spared, making real the face of

courage and inspiring a new generation to want to serve others."

Representing the public servants of the United States were U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel Marilyn Wills, New York City Police Officer Michael Gerbasi, New York City Fire Chief Brian O'Flaherty, and Brookline (MA) Firefighter John Dewan.



Profiles in Courage for Our Time

Caroline Kennedy's new book, *Profiles in Courage for Our Time*, serves as a continuation of President Kennedy's 1957 book, *Profiles in Courage*. Published in May 2002 by Hyperion, *Profiles in Courage for Our Time* promotes, as Ms. Kennedy says, "the ideals my father embraced so deeply."

"The capacity for courage is within everyone."

— Caroline Kennedy

Profiles in Courage for Our Time pays tribute to the recipients of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation's Profile in Courage Award. Ms. Kennedy tapped several of the nation's top journalists, commentators, and scholars to contribute a chapter on each award recipient. Albert R. Hunt wrote on John McCain and Russell Feingold; Bill Kovach on Charles Longstreet Weltner; E.J. Dionne on Lowell Weicker, Jr.; Pete Hamill on Henry B. Gonzalez; Steven V. Roberts on Michael L. Synar; Maryanne Vollers on Charles Price; Ron Suskind on



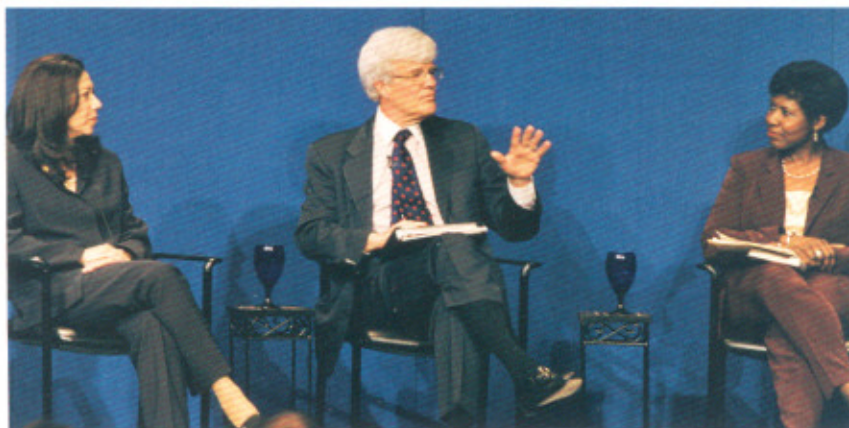
Caroline Kennedy signs a copy of her book, *Profiles in Courage for Our Time*.

Nickolas C. Murnion; Michael Daly on the Irish Peacemakers; Anthony Walton on Hilda Solis; Teresa Carpenter on John Lewis; Michael Beschloss on Carl Elliott, Sr.; Anna Quindlen on James Florio; and Bob Woodward on Gerald R. Ford. Ms. Kennedy wrote the book's introduction and its final chapter, which cites the courage of the 2002 recipients of the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award.

Ms. Kennedy has donated all proceeds of *Profiles in Courage for Our Time* to the John F. Kennedy

Library Foundation. Tireless in her efforts to launch the publication, she traveled to Chicago, San Francisco, New York City and Washington, D.C., generating national news coverage for both the book and the Profile in Courage Award.

On May 6, five of the book's contributors joined Ms. Kennedy at the Library for a public forum on political courage. The panelists were Bill Kovach, chairman of the Committee of Concerned Journalists; E.J. Dionne, *Washington Post* columnist; Steve Roberts, *New York Times* reporter; Al Hunt, executive editor of the *Wall Street Journal*, and Marian Wright Edelman, president of the Children's Defense Fund and a member of the Profile in Courage Award Committee. Congresswoman and 2000 Profile in Courage Award recipient Hilda Solis also participated in the discussion. Gwen Ifill, moderator and managing editor of *Washington Week* and senior correspondent for *The NewsHour* with Jim Lehrer, moderated the forum.



Panel discussion: from l-r, Congresswoman Hilda Solis, Al Hunt, and Gwen Ifill.

Annual May Dinner Marks 85th Anniversary of President's Birth

Gerard Doherty and Jack Manning Co-Chair Gala Event

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elcomed by Chairman of the Board Paul G. Kirk, Jr. and serenaded by Tony and Emmy Award-winning

actress Glenn Close, 500 guests of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation marked the 85th anniversary of President Kennedy's birth at the 14th Annual May Dinner on Sunday, May 5. The black-tie event also honored the 2002 John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award recipients, U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan, former Palos Heights (IL) Mayor Dean Koldenhoven,

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Gerard Doherty, Co-Chair



Jack Manning, Co-Chair



Arriving at the dinner are Edwin Schlossberg, Rose Schlossberg, Victoria Reggie Kennedy, Senator Edward Kennedy, Tatiana Schlossberg, and Caroline Kennedy.

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and representatives of the nation's public servants.

Caroline Kennedy and Edwin Schlossberg, together with Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Victoria Reggie Kennedy, and other members of the Kennedy family, hosted the May Dinner. Capping the evening, Glenn Close wowed guests with an outstanding musical performance. Co-chaired by Gerard Doherty and Jack Manning, the event raised \$600,000 to support an array of educational, community, and public affairs programs offered by the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum.



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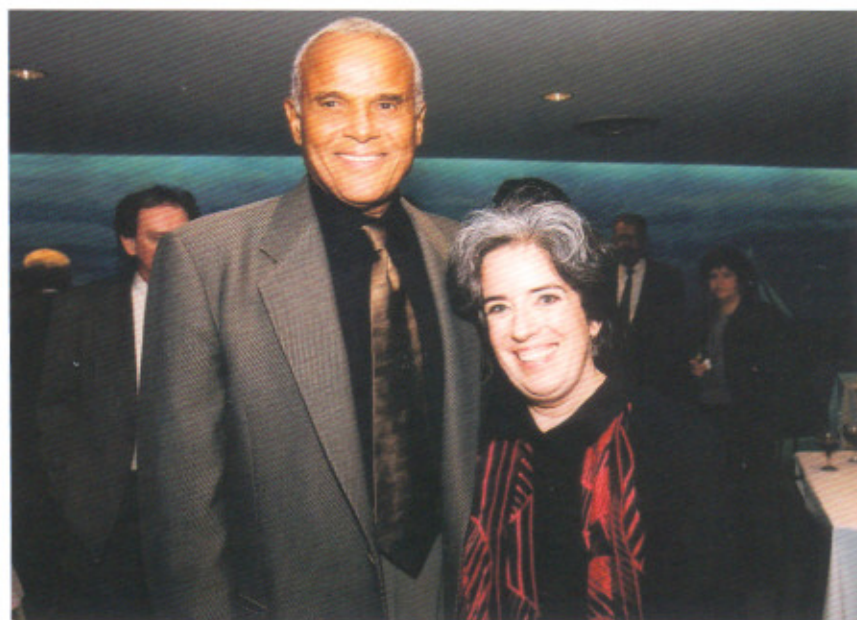
Harry Belafonte Honored as Distinguished American

Reflecting on America's history of racial injustice and commenting on the challenges of advancing human rights around the globe, Harry Belafonte spoke at the John F. Kennedy Library and launched the Library's initiative to bring together America's civil-rights movement and global human-rights efforts. Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Anthony Lewis moderated the March 15th Kennedy Library forum. John Shattuck, CEO of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation, presented Mr. Belafonte with the Library's Distinguished American Award.

"Through your art and your principles and your politics, you have dedicated your life to the struggle for civil rights in the United States and for human rights all over the world, and you have made a profound contribution to peace and freedom," Mr. Shattuck said. "Because you have inspired us and continue to inspire us here tonight and onward, I am honored to present you with the John F. Kennedy Library's Distinguished American Award."

Long active in the civil-rights movement and global issues of poverty, hunger, and AIDS, Mr. Belafonte spoke about moral courage, responsibility, and conduct, and the nation's shifting image internationally over the past fifty years.

"Through moral examination, I think we might come up with leaders who would dare bring to the table the courage to speak out politically and find new ways in which to apply themselves politically... [we may] find a



Harry Belafonte and Deborah Leff, Director of the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum, at a reception preceding the forum.

new voice for the 21st century," said Mr. Belafonte. "I think we're on the threshold of that happening."

Deborah Leff, Director of the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum, introduced Mr. Belafonte and Mr. Lewis and announced that the forum served to launch "a multi-year effort to bring together America's civil-rights movement and global human-rights efforts." The forum series and program initiative, *Seeking Common Ground: Civil Rights and Human Rights*, will begin this fall, launched by a grant from the MacArthur Foundation. Ms. Leff quoted Robert Kennedy's words on the enduring urgency of the global rights movement:

"We must recognize the full human

equality of all people, before God, before the law, and the councils of government. We must do this not because it is economically advantageous – although it is, not because the laws of God command it – although they do, not because people in other lands wish it to be so. We must do it for the single and fundamental reason that it is right."

The Kennedy Library Foundation hosts Distinguished Americans and Foreign Visitors through a special program made possible this year by Boston Capital, Corcoran Jennison, Nixon Peabody LLP, and Raytheon Company. A complete text of the March 15th forum and Mr. Belafonte's remarks is available on the Library's Web page at www.jfklibrary.org under Forum Transcripts.

Senators McCain and Bayh Lead National Town Meeting on Public Service

On June 17, U.S. Senators John McCain and Evan Bayh led a National Summit on Public Service at the John F. Kennedy Library. Jonathan Alter, senior editor and columnist for *Newsweek*, served as moderator. The summit was in the format of a town meeting, allowing for a lively discussion and varied comments and questions from the standing-room-only crowd. The senators are the lead sponsors of the Call to Service Act, a comprehensive national service bill crafted to increase civilian and military volunteer opportunities across the nation.

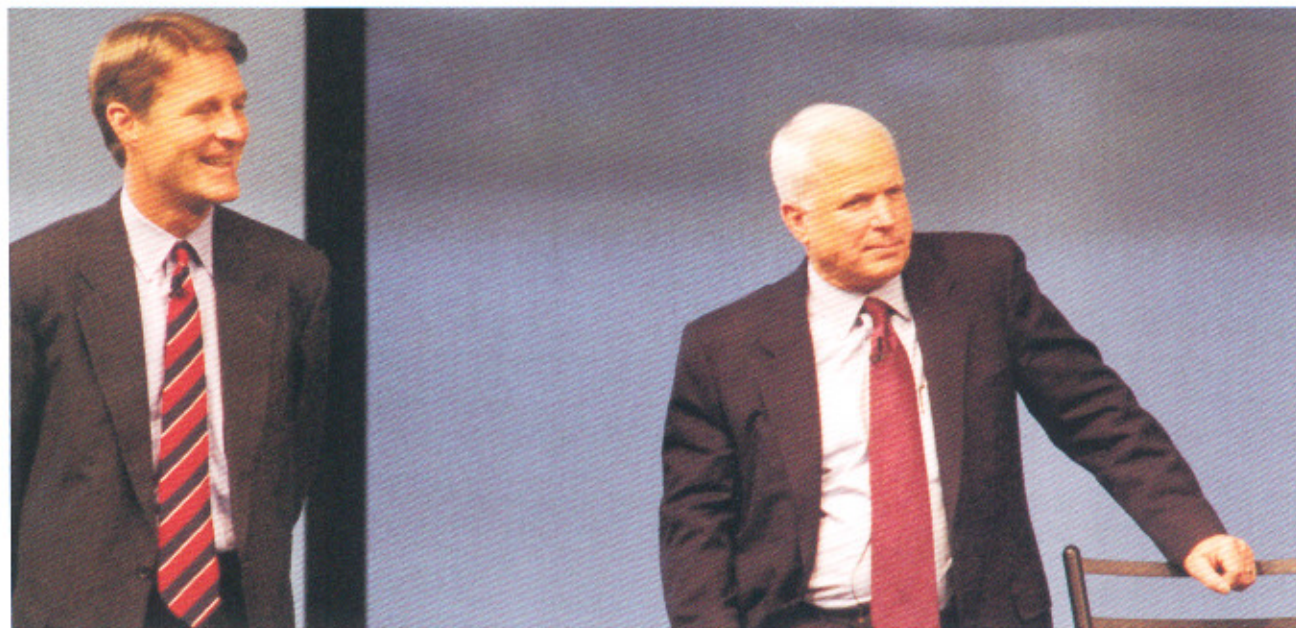
The Library served as a fitting venue for this forum as the Call to Service Act

"Forty years ago, at the height of the cold war, President John F. Kennedy challenged Americans to enter into public service. Americans today, confronted with a challenge no less daunting than the cold war, again are eager for ways to serve at home and abroad." – Senator John McCain

echoes President Kennedy's belief in the importance of public service and his establishment of the Peace Corps in 1961, which inspired the subsequent creation of Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) in 1964. Past and present Peace Corps and City Year volunteers were in attendance at the

forum, among other citizen activists.

The John F. Kennedy Library Foundation hosted a small gathering of leaders from the non-profit and corporate community following the forum to discuss strategies for promoting public-service opportunities on the local and national level.



U.S. Senators Evan Bayh and John McCain listen to a comment by a participant at the National Town Meeting on Public Service at the Kennedy Library.

Record Crowds Attend Forum Series on Terrorism

The spring Kennedy Library Forum series, *Challenges at Home and Abroad*, engaged world and national leaders on issues of far-reaching importance in the aftermath of September 11th. Record crowds filled the Library's Smith Center and overflow theaters to listen as distinguished speakers shared unique, expert perspectives on the challenges facing our nation today.

Former U.S. Senator George Mitchell provided commentary on brokering peace from his experiences as a negotiator in Northern Ireland and the Middle East. Prince Hassan of Jordan discussed the Arab and Muslim worlds and the strategies

"I believe there's no such thing as a conflict that can't be ended. Conflicts are created and sustained by human beings. They can be ended by human beings. No matter how ancient the conflict, no matter how much harm has been done, peace can prevail." – Former U.S. Senator George Mitchell

needed to improve relations with and within the region. Former U.S. Senator and presidential candidate George McGovern discussed with CBS News correspondent Bob Schieffer the challenges facing the nation and world today. Senator Edward Kennedy cited a strong health-care system as key to the well being of all Americans and

essential in combating potential acts of bioterrorism. Special Counsel to President Kennedy Theodore Sorensen articulated JFK's core beliefs about the role of the U.S. in the world and discussed how to apply those beliefs to today's international situation. Executive Director of the American Civil Liberties Union Anthony Romero participated in a panel discussion on



Former U.S. Senator George McGovern and CBS News Correspondent Bob Schieffer discuss the challenges facing the nation and world today.



CNN Correspondent Christiane Amanpour.



John Shattuck, CEO of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation, presents Prince Hassan of Jordan with a bronze bust of President Kennedy.

the tension between civil liberties and security in the context of national efforts to prevent future terrorist attacks. CNN's chief international correspondent Christiane Amanpour shared her views on the changing world of news coverage since September 11, 2001, and spoke about her exclusive

interview in September with Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf.

Challenges at Home and Abroad was made possible by The Lowell Institute and Boston Capital, sponsors of the Kennedy Library Forums, with special support from The Boston Foundation, *The Boston Globe*, WBUR, and

Boston.com. For complete texts of all forum discussions, access the Library's Web page at www.jfklibrary.org and click on Forum Transcripts.

"The trading off of freedom for security is dangerous because by diminishing our freedoms we will be doing the work of the terrorists...undercutting the Bill of Rights would be handing them a victory...we need to be vigilant and carefully scrutinize the actions of the government, actions that may limit our liberty without adding anything to our safety."

— Anthony Romero, Executive Director, ACLU



Special Counsel Theodore Sorensen.

Jacqueline Kennedy Exhibition Will Travel to Paris and Chicago

Deborah Leff, Director of the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum, announced in April that the Musée de la Mode et du Textile at the Louvre in Paris and The Field Museum in Chicago have been selected as the final two venues for the Library's record-breaking exhibition, *Jacqueline Kennedy: The White House Years – Selections from the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum*.

From November 18, 2002, through March 16, 2003, the exhibition will be displayed at the Rohan wing of the Palais du Louvre, and from November 13, 2004, through May 8, 2005, at The Field Museum in Chicago.

Jacqueline Kennedy: The White House Years – Selections from the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum is presently on display at the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington, DC, through September 30, 2002. The exhibition first opened on April 23, 2001, to rave reviews at New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art. From September 15, 2001, to February 28, 2002, the exhibition came home to Boston where it drew record crowds to the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum.

The exhibition features some 70 costumes and accessories Mrs. Kennedy wore at state events and focuses on her influence on fashion and style. In addition, the exhibition presents documents, photographs, film footage, and objects associated with Mrs. Kennedy's restoration of the White House and its collection of art and antiques, support for the arts, leadership in historic preservation, and work as a traveling ambassador. The Metropolitan Museum of Art and the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum organized the exhibition.



President and Mrs. Kennedy leaving the National Theatre in Washington D.C. following a 1962 performance of "Mr. President;" the gown Mrs. Kennedy wore is part of the exhibition.

Boston Schoolteachers and 1960s Civil-Rights Activists Convene for Five-Day Conference

The John F. Kennedy Library's Education Department sponsored a five-day conference this June and July for Boston schoolteachers, which examined the struggle for civil rights and included presentations by such key civil-rights activists as Dorothy Cotton, a top advisor to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and Vivian Malone-Jones, one of the students Governor George Wallace sought to bar from the University of Alabama in 1963. Thirty-five 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.

Gerald R. Gill, co-editor of *Eyes on the Prize* Civil Rights Reader and twice-named Massachusetts College Professor of the year, led the conference agenda each morning and served as moderator. Other participants included Dorothy Burlage, co-author



Vivian Malone-Jones and Gerald Gill listen as Dorothy Burlage answers a question.

of *Deep in Our Hearts: Nine White Women in the Freedom Movement*; Bob Moses, a leader of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee during the 1960s who guided the voting-rights campaign in Mississippi;

and John Seigenthaler, Attorney General Robert Kennedy's representative in the South during the Freedom Rides.

The teachers had access to the Library's significant holdings of primary sources including historical documents, photos, recordings, and film footage. Kennedy Library educators Nina Tisch and Sam Rubin introduced these materials, and small-group discussions enabled teachers to discover ways of incorporating these resources from the 1960s into their curriculum serving students born in the 1980s and 1990s.

With Boston-area students in mind, the Library's Education Department included information about civil-rights activists from Massachusetts and the long-term impact of the struggle on Boston. Information was also presented in the context of national and international developments in civil rights and human rights.



Bob Moses addresses conference participants.

Special Exhibit and Forum Series Will Commemorate 40th Anniversary of Cuban Missile Crisis

October 16-28, 2002, will mark the fortieth anniversary of the Cuban Missile Crisis, thirteen days in 1962 that are recognized by historians, scholars, and leaders around the globe as having posed the greatest danger of catastrophic war since the advent of the nuclear age. Tensions between the U.S. and U.S.S.R. nearly led to nuclear war when the U.S. detected the installation of offensive missiles in Cuba by the Soviet Union and President Kennedy ordered Soviet Chairman Khrushchev to dismantle the installations. For thirteen days, the nation and world waited. Ultimately, President Kennedy's resolve and leadership in pulling the world back from the brink led to a peaceful end to the crisis.

To commemorate this critical period in world history, the Museum at the John F. Kennedy Library will present a special exhibit, *The World on the Brink: John F. Kennedy and the Cuban Missile Crisis*, which will be on display from October 1, 2002 to May 15, 2003. The Library will also host a special series of forums, *On the Brink: The Cuban Missile Crisis*.

"My fellow citizens: let no one doubt that this is a difficult and dangerous effort on which we have set out. No one can see precisely what course it will take or what costs or casualties will be incurred. Many months of sacrifice and self-discipline lie ahead—months in which our patience and our will will be tested—months in which many threats and denunciations will keep us aware of our dangers. But the greatest danger of all would be to do nothing."

— President John F. Kennedy, October 22, 1962



From l to r: President Kennedy, Secretary of State Dean Rusk, Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara, and Press Secretary Pierre Salinger, Oct 29, 1962.

Highlights of *The World on the Brink* exhibit will include:

- The first aerial reconnaissance photograph of missile sites under construction, shown to President Kennedy on the morning of October 16, 1962,

and marking the beginning of the thirteen days of the Cuban Missile Crisis.

- The original copy of Proclamation 3504 (on loan from the National Archives in Washington, D.C.) signed by President Kennedy at the White House and authorizing the naval blockade of Cuba.

- Handwritten memos, notes, and doodles created by President Kennedy and Attorney General Robert Kennedy during meetings of the Executive Committee of the National Security Council.

- The correspondence exchanged between the president and Nikita Khrushchev, Chairman of the U.S.S.R. and Secretary General of the Soviet Communist Party.

- Jacqueline Kennedy's commemorative Tiffany calendar of the month of October 1962, designed by Preside

Kennedy and given to those closest to him during the crisis.

Of special interest will be a 20-minute film on the Cuban Missile Crisis. Shown exclusively at the John F. Kennedy Library, the film incorporates period news-footage, interviews with President Kennedy, and tape-recorded excerpts from top-secret meetings between the president and his advisors.

Scheduled participants in the Kennedy Library forum series, *On the Brink: The Cuban Missile Crisis*, will include Sergei Khrushchev, son of and advisor to Soviet Chairman

Nikita Khrushchev; Robert McNamara, President Kennedy's secretary of defense; Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., special assistant to President Kennedy; Theodore Sorensen, special counsel to President Kennedy; Svetlana Savranskaya, editor of the Russian and East Bloc Archival Documents Database; Julia Sweig, Cuba specialist and author of *The Cuban Insurrection Declassified*; and other historians, Kennedy administration officials, and experts on Cuba and international relations. Specific forum dates and times are available on the Library's

Web page at www.jfklibrary.org.

To further commemorate the anniversary, the Kennedy Library will team up with Battleship Cove, the maritime heritage museum in Fall River that is home to the Gearing class destroyer, *U.S.S. Joseph P. Kennedy Jr.*, which participated in the naval blockade of Cuba in 1962. Visitors may tour the Museum at the John F. Kennedy Library and then journey to Fall River to board the *U.S.S. Joseph P. Kennedy Jr.* and learn about its pivotal role on the frontlines of the 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis.



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The President meets with cabinet members and advisors during the Cuban Missile Crisis, October 29, 1962.

White House Tapes: JFK Concerned About Nuclear-Arms Buildup

The John F. Kennedy Library has made available for the first time 248 minutes of presidential recordings from meetings and conversations held in November and December 1962 by President Kennedy and his advisors. The recorded discussions took place a month after the Cuban Missile Crisis and reflect ongoing concern about the buildup of nuclear arms. The recordings also include the President's comments on the usefulness of nuclear weapons as a deterrent and discussions about U.S. policy toward Cuba and the military budget. In one discussion, the President expresses concern about the press and inaccuracies in a televised news-report on matters of national security.

The presidential recordings were made during White House meetings and conversations on November 21, 27, and

"Our big danger is the Soviet Union is going to get in a position where they are going to have so much on us, such nuclear capabilities to deliver on us and cause us so many casualties, that we will not initiate a nuclear attack on them. And that being true, then they will use their conventional force to take whatever they want, anyplace—we'll not in this hemisphere—but in Europe and in Asia. That is the danger we are going to face, that I'll—or whoever is President—will not want to fire this weapon to stop this conventional attack."

— President John F. Kennedy, December 5, 1962

29, and December 5, 1962. Participants included Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara; General Maxwell Taylor, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; National Security Advisor McGeorge Bundy; Under Secretary of State George Ball; and Special Assistant to the

President Jerome Weisner.

In addition to presidential recordings, the John F. Kennedy Library is home to more than 5,000 hours of sound recordings, which include President Kennedy's public speeches and press conferences.

FIRST PRESIDENTIAL TAPES CONFERENCE SLATED FOR PRESIDENTS' DAY WEEKEND 2003 AT KENNEDY LIBRARY

Franklin Roosevelt started the practice in 1940 that ended, not surprisingly, with Richard Nixon in 1974—presidents secretly recording meetings and conversations in the White House. 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 tapes not only document presidential decision-making but also reveal the character and

candor of each man, who, at times, had forgotten the microphone was on.

On February 16 and 17, 2003, Presidents' Day weekend, the John F. Kennedy Library will host a national Presidential Tapes Conference, the first ever of its kind. Participants in the two-day conference will include presidential archivists, former presidential advisors, journalists, and first-family members. Confirmed speakers include Michael Beschloss, John Dean, Richard Reeves, David Eisenhower and Lynda Johnson Robb. The conference,

which is co-sponsored by the Lyndon Baines Johnson Library and the National Archives and Records Administration, will explore the content of presidential recordings, their impact on the leadership and legacy of each president, and how historians, scholars, journalists, and the public can best utilize the recordings today.

More information about the February 2003 Presidential Tapes Conference will be available on the Kennedy Library Web page at www.jfklibrary.org.

New Jersey Student Wins Profile in Courage Essay Contest

The winning essay in the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest for High School Students was written by Emily Ullman, a senior at the Academy for the Advancement of Science and Technology in Hackensack, New Jersey. Ms. Ullman's essay recounts the integrity and political courage demonstrated by the late George M. Michaels, a New York State Assemblyman.

In her essay, Ms. Ullman describes the vote of conscience cast by 59-year-old George Michaels. In 1970, Assemblyman Michaels changed his "no" vote to a "yes" vote, dramatically allowing passage of a bill that repealed New York's anti-abortion

laws. Michaels had a son who, Ms. Ullman wrote, "told his father about the poor women he had seen mangled by back-alley abortions, a problem that affected Michaels deeply." The vote-change allowed the bill to pass and cost Michaels his political career. "As the floor erupted," Ms. Ullman wrote, "Michaels put his head down and cried."

The student essay contest is named for President Kennedy's 1957 Pulitzer Prize-winning book, *Profiles in Courage*, which recounts the stories of eight U.S. senators who risked their careers to fight for what they believed in. The John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest for High School Students is held

annually by the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation with the generous support of Fidelity Investments. Emily Ullman was awarded a \$3,000 first-place prize and hardcover copy of *Profiles in Courage*. Ms. Ullman's nominating teacher, Patricia Hans, received a \$500 John F. Kennedy Service Grant to help encourage student leadership and civic engagement in her classroom.

This year, the essay contest received a record 2,851 submissions from high-school students across the nation. Contest details are available for interested students and schools on the Library's Web page at www.jfklibrary.org under Education.



John Siegenthaler presents Emily Ullman (right) with a certificate honoring her first-place in the 2002 *Profile in Courage* Essay Contest. Patricia Hans (left), Emily's nominating teacher, was recognized with a \$500 John F. Kennedy Service Grant to encourage student leadership and civic engagement. The contest and awards are underwritten by Fidelity Investments.

Paul G. Kirk, Jr. Honored for Public Service Leadership

On March 17, the Friends of the John F. Kennedy Library honored Paul G. Kirk, Jr. as Irishman of the Year for his outstanding contributions and distinguished career as a political party leader, political consultant, public activist, attorney, and champion of democratic participation around the world.

In presenting the award, Don Dowd, president of the Friends of the Kennedy Library, said, "Paul Kirk is a textbook example of active citizenship in the American democracy. His commitment to democratic participation, both in this country and worldwide, is testimony to President Kennedy's conviction that one person can truly make a difference."

Senator Edward Kennedy praised Mr. Kirk for his outstanding leadership, dedication, and many contributions to public service, and Caroline Kennedy thanked him for his devotion to the Kennedy Library.

Paul Kirk served as chairman of the Democratic National Committee from 1985 to 1989 and as treasurer from



Paul and Gail Kirk at Irishman of the Year Dinner.

1983 to 1985. He co-founded and co-chairs the Commission on Presidential Debates, which has sponsored and produced debates for leading U.S. presidential and vice-presidential candidates since 1987. He is a board member and former chairman of the

National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, a nonprofit organization that works to strengthen and expand democracy worldwide. He also serves as chairman of the board of directors of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation.

DEMOCRATIC GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATES DEBATE ISSUES AT JOHN F. KENNEDY LIBRARY

On April 1, the five major Democratic candidates for governor of Massachusetts took to the stage at the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum for a one-hour debate. Thomas Birmingham, Steve

Grossman, Shannon O'Brien, Robert Reich, and Warren Tolman discussed a number of issues raised by panelists David Brudnoy, WBZ RadioNews 1030 talk-show host; Joan Vennochi, *Boston Globe* columnist; and Frank Phillips,

The Boston Globe's State House bureau chief. WBZ RadioNews 1030's Jay McQuaide served as moderator. *The Boston Globe* and WBZ RadioNews 1030 co-sponsored the debate, which was broadcast live by WBZ RadioNews.

Literary Awards Hosted by John F. Kennedy Library

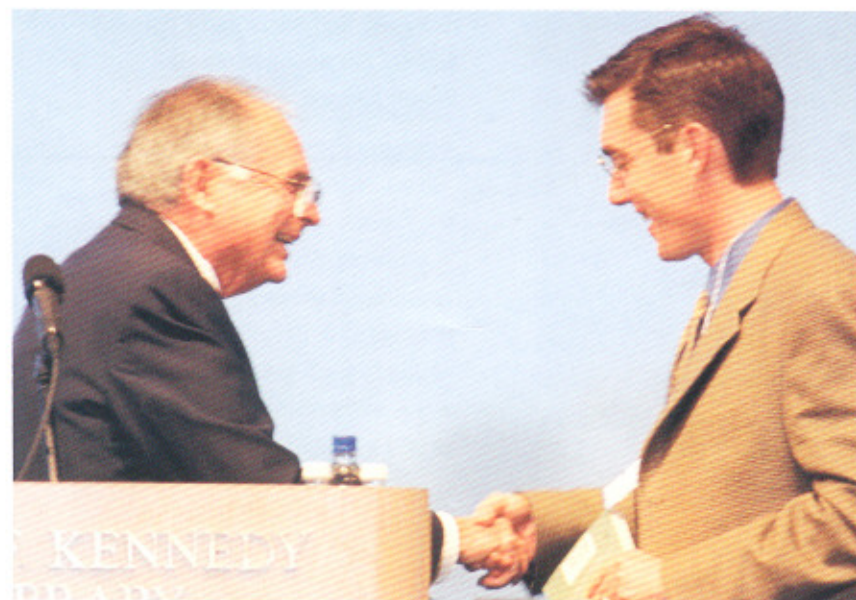
On April 7, the Hemingway Foundation/PEN Award, America's best known prize for a distinguished first book of fiction, was presented to Justin Cronin for his warm and powerful collection of stories, *Mary and O'Neil*, published by The Dial Press, a division of Random House, Inc. Patrick Hemingway, son of the Pulitzer and Nobel Prize-winning writer Ernest Hemingway, presented the award, which includes a \$7,500 prize.

Mary Hemingway founded the annual award in 1976 to honor the memory of her late husband and to recognize first books of fiction. The John F. Kennedy Library is home to Ernest Hemingway's papers, a gift brought to the Library through the efforts of Jacqueline Kennedy.

Elizabeth McCracken was also honored with the L.L. Winship/PEN New England Award for *Niagara Falls All Over Again*. Named for former *Boston Globe*

editor L.L. Winship, the award recognizes a book by a New England author or for a book with a New England topic or setting. Laurence P. Winship presented the award to Ms. McCracken. The gathering shared a moment of silence in honor of the late Tom Winship, a former *Boston Globe* editor and supporter of the L.L. Winship/PEN New England Award and the Kennedy Library and Museum.

An estimated 350 guests filled the Smith Center for the annual event. Maxine Hong Kingston, author of *The Woman Warrior* and other novels, served as keynote speaker. The Hemingway Research Room was open for tours, and a reception followed the ceremony in the Pavilion. Administered by PEN, the only worldwide organization of writers, editors, and publishers, the award ceremony was permanently moved to the John F. Kennedy Library through the efforts of Jacqueline Kennedy in 1992.



Patrick Hemingway presents Justin Cronin with the 2002 Hemingway Foundation/PEN Award.

JFK LIBRARY WELCOMES NEW AMERICANS



Taking the Oath of Citizenship at the Kennedy Library

The John F. Kennedy Library and Museum hosted a celebration of the naturalization of more than 200 new citizens of the United States of America at ceremonies on April 23 and May 21, presided over by the Honorable Mark Wolf and the Honorable Nancy Gertner, United States District Court Judges for the District of Massachusetts. The U.S. Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service sponsored the official ceremonies, held at the Kennedy Library.

John F. Kennedy Library Foundation CEO John Shattuck introduced Judge Wolf and Judge Gertner at each event. Steven Ross, a Holocaust survivor and naturalized American citizen, spoke at the April 23rd ceremony, and Boston Red Sox President Larry Lucchino, the grandson of Italian immigrants, addressed the May 21st gathering. The Library presented each new citizen with a commemorative edition of the *Inaugural Address of President John F. Kennedy*. John F. Kennedy was the great-grandson of Irish immigrants.

Kennedy Library and Museum to Mark September 11th Anniversary with a Day of Remembrance

The John F. Kennedy Library and Museum will participate in a nationwide initiative, spearheaded by the American Association of Museums, to promote September 11, 2002, as an occasion to "Celebrate America's Freedoms: A Day of Remembrance."

Admission to the Museum at the John F. Kennedy Library will be free on September 11, 2002, and the Museum's hours will be extended for the day from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. A moment of silence will be observed at 8:46 a.m., the time the first plane struck the World Trade Center's North Tower one year ago. Remembrance journals will be available in the lobby so visitors may express and share their thoughts.

Of special note, ten large panels of the United in Memory: 9-11 Victims Memorial Quilt will be on exhibit in the Library's Pavilion. The Memorial Quilt is a global volunteer undertaking to honor the victims of September 11th. Inspired by the AIDS Quilt, the United in Memory Quilt, when

completed, will include a square with each victim's name and photograph or other items that reveal his or her uniqueness. For more information about the United in Memory Quilt, access www.unitedin-memory.net on the Internet.

With each panel measuring 10½ feet by 10½ feet, the ten panels will cover a majority of the Pavilion floor. Visitors will be able to walk around the Quilt or view it from vantage points that overlook the Pavilion. Famed architect I.M. Pei, who designed the Kennedy Library and Museum, created the Pavilion to be a place for quiet reflection, a fitting spot for this poignant exhibit. The ten panels of the Memorial Quilt will be at the Kennedy Library through September 30, 2002.

Also on display in the Pavilion is the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award presented by Senator Kennedy and Caroline Kennedy on May 6, 2002, to four representatives of the nation's public servants in recognition of the courage, heroism,

and selflessness demonstrated by thousands of fire, police, military, and other municipal personnel on September 11th.

The evening of September 11th, the Kennedy Library will host a free tribute concert, "A Nation Remembers," from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. with performances by the Boston Landmarks Orchestra, conducted by Charles Ansbacher, and the Kuumba Singers of Harvard College. Reservations for the free concert are required as seating is limited. Reservations may be made by calling (617) 929-4571.

"Last year, following September 11th, many people found comfort in the words and life of President Kennedy and in the Library's reflective, peaceful setting," said Deborah Leff, Director of the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum. "We want to share the Memorial Quilt and tribute concert with the community and to open our doors again, hoping many will find solace and a renewed sense of our nation here at the John F. Kennedy Library."

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