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President Kennedy with Vice President Lyndon Johnson, Representative Edith Green, and Senator Maurine Neuberger. OHS Library, CN 020534, bb006107
About OHS

For more than a century, the Oregon Historical Society has served as the state’s collective memory, preserving a vast collection of artifacts, photographs, maps, manuscript materials, books, films, and oral histories.

Our research library, museum, digital platforms, educational programming, and historical journal make Oregon’s history open and accessible to all.

We exist because history is powerful, and because a history as deep and as rich as Oregon’s cannot be contained within a single story or point of view.

Visit the Museum & Research Library

Museum & Store
Mon–Sat 10am–5pm
Sun 12pm–5pm

Research Library
Tue 1pm–5pm
Wed–Sat 10am–5pm

Dear OHS Members & Supporters,

This year, the Oregon Historical Society gives you access to history that can’t be found anywhere else.

We mark the centennial of the birth of President Kennedy in our latest exhibition, High Hopes: The Journey of John F. Kennedy. I hope you will join us on September 19 for an evening with Ambassador Caroline Kennedy; tickets go on sale for our members on June 26.

In recognition of another centennial, OHS brought together outstanding scholars to commemorate the U.S. entry into WWI. If you missed the public discussions we hosted around the state on the war’s history and legacy, you can access the recordings on our website and read more in a special section of our Summer OHQ.

Modern women are the focal point of a new photographic exhibit based on newly digitized Oregon Journal negatives from the 1920s and 1930s from our Research Library. More images from the Oregon Journal collection can be found on our newly launched Digital Collections website (digitalcollections.ohs.org).

The momentum and energy we have built together makes this the perfect time to embark on our first capital campaign in over a decade: FORWARD!

Through four capacity-building initiatives, we will secure the future of our history through:

• A new and inclusive exhibit on early Oregon history to educate tens of thousands of school children, families, and visitors;

• A renovated Research Library to better serve our visitors, staff, and collections;

• A Digital Vault to preserve our fragile library materials and provide the technological resources to continue to fill our new Digital Collections website and provide worldwide access; and

• Endowments to secure these achievements into the future.

With your continued support, we are moving forward!

Best regards,

Kerry Tymchuk
Executive Director
An Evening with Ambassador
Caroline Kennedy

Tuesday, September 19, 2017 • 7pm • Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall

Ambassador Caroline Kennedy is an attorney and editor of nine New York Times best-selling books on constitutional law, American history, politics, and poetry. She served as the U.S. Ambassador to Japan from 2013 to 2017. Caroline will speak about her experience as ambassador over the past four years and address why strong U.S.–Japan cooperation is so important for the security and prosperity of both nations going forward.

She is a prominent member of the Kennedy family and the only surviving child of President John F. Kennedy and First Lady Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy. From 2002 to 2011 she was Vice Chair of the Fund for Public Schools, raising over $280 million to support public school reform and engaging a record number of New Yorkers to volunteer in New York City schools. She is Honorary President of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation and a member of the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award Committee. A graduate of Harvard University and Columbia Law School, Caroline is also Honorary Chair of the Senior Advisory Committee of the Institute of Politics at Harvard University.

Tickets start at $30. OHS members have access to an exclusive one-week pre sale starting June 26; tickets go on sale to the public July 3. Learn more at www.ohs.org/caroline.
On exhibit through November 12, 2017

One hundred years after his birth, and more than a half-century after his shocking death, John Fitzgerald Kennedy remains a subject of endless fascination for millions of Americans. The youngest president ever elected, Kennedy’s 1,037-day administration was marked by great hope as well as great tension. How he reached the White House is a story of both privilege and determination.

On March 25, the Oregon Historical Society unveiled an original 6,000-square-foot exhibition on the life of this iconic president. While much of his life has been overshadowed by his assassination at a young age, Kennedy’s achievements during his presidency were significant and still impact the world today.

This exhibition explores Kennedy’s early life, his road to the presidency, and the changes he effected during his time in office. With the high hopes of the country behind him, John F. Kennedy made a commitment to changing the world for the better, and in his legacy he continues to live on.

This exhibition, the largest centennial exhibit outside of the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library & Museum in Boston, features more than 100 rare artifacts and manuscripts from the Mark Family Collection, the Shapell Manuscript Foundation, the JFK Library, and from the Oregon Historical Society’s collections.

This exhibition is generously sponsored by:

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Featured Artifacts

**Rocking Chair**  Suffering from a debilitating back injury after his service in World War II, John F. Kennedy found relief from sitting in a high-backed rocking chair. He ordered several of this style, the North Carolina Rocker from P & P Chairs Co., for the White House, Air Force One, and his homes in Palm Beach and Hyannis Port, and gave additional versions to friends. Kennedy gave this particular chair to Averell Harriman, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs. *Mark Family Collection*

**Jacqueline Kennedy’s Dress**  This brown and tan checked wool suit was designed by Carolina Herrera, a Venezuelan-born designer who created many ensembles for Jackie. Mary Gallagher, Jackie’s personal secretary, was given many of Jackie’s items of clothing, including this suit. *Mark Family Collection*
The FORWARD! Campaign

At the Annual Meeting of the Membership on Saturday, May 20, OHS leadership announced the public launch of the FORWARD! campaign. The first capital campaign in over a decade, FORWARD! is comprised of four interconnected investments in the Society’s physical and technological infrastructure.

These initiatives will allow OHS to continue to better preserve collections, serve visitors, and educate the next generations about all the people, places, and events that have shaped Oregon—while creating endowments to sustain this work for generations.

Rendering of entrance to new early Oregon history permanent exhibition, set to open spring 2019.

Campaign Initiatives:

An Inclusive Oregon History Exhibit
Build a new permanent exhibition incorporating interactive techniques and the best scholarship on Oregon’s diverse and complex history. This will be the heart and soul of our museum and the place where thousands of children come to learn our state’s history each year.

Statewide Access to Collections
Develop and launch a Digital Vault to preserve our most fragile collections and enable us to provide worldwide access through our Digital Collections website. School children, writers, filmmakers, scholars, and explorers of every kind will be able to search our collections and examine documents and photographs remotely.

A Research Library to Serve Oregon
Renovate the Research Library to create an inspirational workspace that is worthy of the collections it shelters and is a productive and comfortable space to better serve visitors, staff, and volunteers.

Endowing Positions of Excellence
Endow core programs and key positions to safeguard against unpredictable swings in public or private resources and to deliver new and exciting work every year.

Campaign Goals:

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In 2015, the Oregon Historical Society embarked on an ambitious two-year project to build an infrastructure to create, collect, preserve, and provide access to digital materials in its vast historic collections. On May 22, OHS announced a major milestone in this project with the official launch of OHS Digital Collections.

This new website allows online public access to a rich variety of materials from the OHS Research Library, including items from our manuscript, photograph, film, and oral history collections. Behind the scenes, these files are safeguarded by dedicated OHS staff employing a series of digital preservation workflows, systems, and storage processes called the OHS Digital Vault. Featured collections at launch include:

- Photographs from Oregon conservation pioneers William L. Finley, Irene Finley, and Herman Bohlman
- Newspaper photographs from the *Oregon Journal* nitrate negative collection
- Selected oral histories, including interviews from the Gay and Lesbian Archives of the Pacific Northwest
- Papers of Joel Palmer, 1848–1880, Superintendent of Indian Affairs for the Oregon Territory

OHS Digital Collections and the OHS Digital Vault are funded by a generous grant from The Collins Foundation, with additional support from a bequest from the estate of William Bilyeu. Ongoing digitization is supported by private and public funders. Support for the expansion of the OHS Digital Vault to build further capacity to digitize and preserve rare and unique items can be made through donations to the OHS FORWARD! campaign. We are grateful to the Anne A. Berni Foundation and the Keller Foundation for their gifts to kickstart the FORWARD! campaign fund for the OHS Digital Vault. Start exploring our collections now at digitalcollections.ohs.org.
The Summer 2017 Issue Features a Special Section Marking the Centennial of the United States' Entry into WWI

The Summer 2017 issue of the Oregon Historical Quarterly will include a special collection of essays by six historians of the First World War, offering readers provocative and insightful reflection on the war’s substantial legacy. An introduction to the collection is written by Dr. Kimberly Jensen and Dr. Christopher McKnight Nichols, whose scholarship has helped historians and the public to better understand the relationship between the war and histories of women and U.S. foreign policy.

The issue will also feature a new full-length research article by Dr. Jensen, “From Citizens to Enemy Aliens: Oregon Women, Marriage, and the Surveillance State during the First World War.” Her research for the piece was funded in part by a Oregon Historical Society’s Donald J. Sterling, Jr. Fellowship in Pacific Northwest History.

Scholar Searches for Copies of Rare People’s Bulletin Newspaper among Personal Collections

While conducting research for her article in OHQ on Oregon women, citizenship, and civil liberties from 1913 to 1924, Western Oregon University professor Dr. Kimberly Jensen came across references to the existence of the People’s Bulletin. The paper, published by Portland’s African American women’s organization the Colored Women’s Council, was adopted as the official mouthpiece for the Oregon State Federation of Colored Women.

Unfortunately, the only record Jensen has been able to access is through an online accession listing in the Portland [Oregon] African American Collection, Wyles Mss 179, Special Collections, Davidson Library, University of California Santa Barbara (pictured right). According to Jensen, “The People’s Bulletin is full of advertisements and news of the community. From just this one issue we can learn so much. It is a treasure; perhaps someone has other copies in a box or scrapbook just waiting to be discovered.”

If anyone knows of the existence of additional copies of the paper, please contact Dr. Jensen at jenseki@wou.edu.
The Oregon Historical Society celebrates the Modern Woman in a new photography exhibit of selected images from the Oregon Journal newspaper. American women advanced boldly into the 1920s, armed with the vote and a confidence gained by stepping into new roles to support the war effort and sustain the home front during the Great War. This new exhibit depicts fifteen Modern Women from the 1920s and 1930s with images selected from the OHS Research Library's collection of photographic negatives from the Oregon Journal, a Portland daily published from 1902–1982.

Thanks to a generous grant from the Jackson Foundation, OHS Archives Specialist, Katie Mayer, is currently digitizing approximately 9,000 nitrate negatives from the Oregon Journal. The photographs cover a wide range of people and topics: athletes, political figures, prominent visitors to Portland, performing arts, plane crashes, fires, animals, flowers, and more. Many images are now available for exploration and study on the OHS Digital Collections website, with more to come as she continues to work her way through this massive project.

To digitize these images, Katie uses a flatbed scanner set to high resolution and typically scans four to six 4 x 5 inch negatives at a time. Once scanned, she does some minor image editing for quality control (adjusting exposure, brightness, contrast, etc.). The scanner takes about twenty minutes to read a batch of negatives, so while it's running, she enters any identifying information that is transferred with the image record into the OHS Digital Vault for long-term preservation, and into the OHS Digital Collections site for public access.

These unidentified dancers, c. 1929, were probably performing in a May Day celebration in Portland, Oregon. May Day festivities were common during this era, with celebrations put on by towns, businesses, organizations, and schools. OHS Library, Oregon Journal Photograph Collection, Org. Lot 1368, 371N2965

Mirror on the Modern Woman
Selected Images from the Oregon Journal, 1927–1932

(From Top) Performer with the Al G. Barnes Circus, 371N4386; prize-winning author Kay Cleaver Strahan, 371N2448; Mrs. Matilda C. Howard, 371N193; all c. 1929 from the OHS Library's Oregon Journal Photograph Collection, Org. Lot 1368
Memorial & Tribute Gifts

Each year, the Oregon Historical Society receives gifts in honor of individuals. Whether in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special accomplishment, these tribute gifts keep Oregon’s history accessible to all. Gifts listed below are those received between November 22, 2016 and May 18, 2017.

Gifts in Honor:

In honor of Hon. Anna Brown
Ms. Julie Elizabeth Frantz

In honor of Molly Cochran
Mr. Gus Cochran

In honor of the marriage between Suzannah deMoll and Todd Hight
Ms. Terri Maragos

In honor of John Dennis
Mr. Michael Dennis

In honor of Cynthia Jackson Ford
Ms. Hillary Larson

In honor of Antoinette Hatfield
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In honor of Pete Mark
Mr. Peter C. Andrews

In honor of R. Gregory Nokes
Mr. Deston Nokes

In honor of Andy Priebe
Ms. Madelyn Hall

In honor of Kerry’s service to OHS
Ms. Patricia Parr

Gifts in Memory:

In memory of G. Maria Hedges
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In memory of Mrs. Sue Davison Cooley
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Kerry and Becky Tymchuk

In memory of Sylvia Gates
Mr. Edward Breed Gates

In memory of Mr. Robert L. Hamm
Mrs. Paula L. Hamm

In memory of Senator Mark O. Hatfield
Mr. Steve Odell

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Ms. Janet S. Plog
Mr. and Mrs. John R. and Carol Woodworth and the Saturday Bridge Ladies

In memory of George M. Joseph
Ms. Kate Joseph

In memory of Mr. Maynard Kessler
Mr. and Mrs. Khamphet and Sumalee Luangrath

In memory of Ted and Esther Loehner
Andrew and Gwen Silva

In memory of Helen Ross
Millard and Mary Lou McClung

In memory of Ms. Jeanette Morrison Schinder
Lori and Wayne Kuechler

In memory of Gerald E. & Gertrude Stanfield
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In memory of John and Gretchen Trommald
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In memory of Mr. Tom Vaughan
Mr. and Mrs. Dennis and Susan Sammons Meyer
Mr. and Mrs. Robert and Barre Stoll

In memory of Mr. David E. Wagner
Bill Dickey

In memory of Mrs. Gertrude Webb
The Boeing Company Foundation

In memory of Barbara Baum Weber
Millard and Mary Lou McClung
This spring, OHS celebrated the opening of *High Hopes: The Journey of John F. Kennedy* with a sponsor dinner on March 22 and a special members’ preview reception on March 24. Folks gathered for food, drinks, and guided tours of the exhibit, enjoying a sneak peek of one of the most popular exhibits in OHS history.
2017 Oregon History Makers

Nathalie Johnson, M.D., FACS

As Medical Director of the Legacy Cancer Institute and Legacy Breast Health Center in Portland, Clinical Professor of Surgery at Oregon Health & Science University, and a practicing board certified surgeon, Dr. Johnson is a national leader in the field of breast cancer research and awareness. A breast cancer survivor, Dr. Johnson is a prolific speaker and author on breast cancer prevention and treatment.

Nicholas Kristof

Raised in Yamhill County and a graduate of Yamhill-Carlton High School, Nicholas Kristof is a two-time Pulitzer Prize–winning New York Times columnist and is regarded as one of the most influential journalists of our time. He has traveled the world reporting on human rights and giving voice to the voiceless. Kristof and his wife, Sheryl WuDunn, are also the co-authors of four best-selling books.

Bill Schonely

As the play-by-play announcer of the Portland Trail Blazers for nearly three decades, Bill Schonely is regarded as the most popular and revered sports broadcaster in Oregon history. Inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame in 2012 as the recipient of the “Curt Gowdy Media Award,” Schonely continues to work as an ambassador for the Trail Blazers and has served as a master of ceremonies for countless charities. His signature “Rip City” has become synonymous with Portland.

Reser’s Fine Foods

Reser’s products have been a staple of Oregon dinner tables and picnics ever since Earl and Mildred Reser started the company in their farmhouse kitchen in 1950. The Beaverton-based company now boasts more than 3,000 employees at 17 facilities in the United States and Mexico and over $1 billion in annual sales. Oregon State University is just one of many Oregon institutions and non-profit organizations that have benefited from the generous philanthropic giving of the Reser Family.

In 2009, the Society held the inaugural History Makers Dinner, the first of a series of annual events celebrating Oregon’s living leaders who have made history in their own time. Each year, the Oregon Historical Society presents this series of awards at a dinner and special ceremony, this year taking place on October 8. For information on table sponsorships, please contact sue.metzler@ohs.org or 503.306.5229.