WATERGATE LESSONS AND THE IMPORTANCE OF LISTENING

On Sunday, August 11, Bob Woodward regaled a crowd of more than 500 at the Reg Lenna Center for the Arts with stories from the Watergate era and how they continue to inform reactions to and perceptions of politics today. He describes himself as being “in the listening business” and pursues the facts relentlessly. “I show up, shut up, and listen,” he said of his ability to get people to talk to him, even when it is against their self-interest.

Mr. Woodward said the definition of ‘fact’ is under assault today, and that has implication for our democracy, our political system, and the rule of law. The media are increasingly confronting trust issues because ‘fake news’ and ‘alternative facts’ have entered the lexicon. He said the media must do its best to stay above the fray, keep to the facts and resist working and publishing in a ‘them versus him’ mindset. He believes President Trump criticizes the media so vociferously because they are doing their jobs.

He also discussed the importance of the President’s moral authority and ability to place the country and the people above self and party. He noted that was an important part of President Nixon’s resignation – when he realized what he had done to the office and to the country, he knew he needed to step down. He remarked that the Watergate tapes exposed the ugliness of Nixon’s private thoughts to the public. President Trump says or tweets numerous similar thoughts. “President Trump has legitimized hate and violence.”

Mr. Woodward specifically mentioned Justice Jackson’s eulogy of President Franklin Roosevelt as a showcase of a president’s selflessness. Justice Jackson wrote, “People feel less secure today because he is gone. He thought of no human being but himself as expendable.” Mr. Woodward then asked the audience who would give such a eulogy for President Trump. A smattering of the audience responded with “no one.” Pointing to his papers, he responded, “that’s what I wrote down.”

The Jackson Center was able to bring Mr. Woodward to Jamestown through the generosity of the Fund for Downtown Programming, part of the Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) Fund and the Alan Y. Cole Endowment Fund.

Bob Woodward speaking at the Reg Lenna Center for the Arts. Photo credit: Lee Stein.

Bob Woodward greets the RHJC Board in the Grant Room.
Dear Friends of the Jackson Center,

We have had an exceptional summer, and I am thrilled so many of you were able to join us for our programs. Since it was my first summer, I do not feel I can assert that we were busier than usual, but I was amazed at the number of events we delivered. You'll read about many of them in the following pages. It was an honor to host former Solicitor General Donald Verrilli in July as the Robert H. Jackson Supreme Court Lecturer at the Chautauqua Institution and bring Pulitzer Prize-winning author Bob Woodward to Jamestown in August.

This summer, we also benefited from the talents of nine interns. They created new exhibits and lesson plans, developed written materials to enhance our visitor experience, followed the trail of Jackson Family property deeds in Warren County, and continued the monumental task of organizing our vast stores of recorded and photographic information.

All of what you see in these pages are a direct result of your support. Your attendance, annual fund gifts, endowment contributions, and shepherding of new and repeat visitors through our doors are what sustains us and helps us to grow. Thank you.

I hope you enjoyed the summer as much as we did, and we look forward to seeing you again soon.

Warmly,

Kristan McMahon, President
Robert H. Jackson Center

A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Bob Woodward with RHJC President Kristan McMahon.
You do not have to serve in the same unit, the same year or the same conflict to bond with those who offered their lives in defense of freedom. This was apparent when men and women who served in World War II, Vietnam and the Gulf War gathered to witness a reenactment of The Battle of Nijmegen, which occurred in the Netherlands from September 17-20, 1944, as part of Operation Market Garden during World War II.

On August 4, a group of war veterans traveled by bus from the Jackson Center by bus for lunch together in Tidioute, Pennsylvania for the 11th Annual World War II reenactment. The group was led by long-time RHJC docent Mel Feather, a former U.S. Army staff sergeant who served in the Vietnam War with Delta Company, 1st Battalion, 5th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division. After lunch, the group toured several encampments before assembling in a reserved viewing area to watch volunteers dressed in period uniforms recreate events that took place in 1944. Hundreds of Infantryman organized by the 99th Infantry Division 393rd Regiment, Easy Company Reenactment Group (Battle Babies) re-enacted the battle. On the 75th anniversary of the original battle, the streets of Tidioute were full of action as approximately 250 reenactors representing infantrymen of both American and German descent battled for control of the bridge. The battle began when the bridge was “blown” by engineers from Franklin, PA after the Allied troops retreated, and ended on the other side of the river, with the capture of the bridge and surrender of the Germans.

The event was made possible by a grant from the Chautauqua County Department of Mental Health PFC Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project. The grant provides peer-to-peer support and counseling to veterans and their families through programs, projects, and education in order to promote mental wellness, camaraderie, and purpose.

Volunteer Spotlight: Jim Morgan

Jim Morgan has been a docent at the Jackson Center for two years, and heard about the opportunity through our Director of Development, Marion Beckerink. Jim is originally from Jamestown and taught high school history in Crocker, Missouri for 30 years before moving back to Jamestown in April of 2017. He also served as the Mayor of Crocker, MO from 2006 until 2017. When asked why he wanted to volunteer at the Jackson Center, Jim said, “It’s a way I can put my knowledge of history to work. When you look at the timeline exhibit, there’s more that you can tell in the story of Jackson.”

When people come to tour the Jackson Center, Jim’s first question to them is, “What do you know about Robert H. Jackson?” He says, “I want to know what they know about Jackson, and then I try to fill in. People really don’t know the whole story.”

Jim’s favorite exhibit at the Jackson Center was “A Loaded Weapon”: Photographic Perspectives on U.S. Internment Camps of WWII.” Inspired by Supreme Court Justice Jackson’s strong dissent in Korematsu v. U.S., Jim is especially touched by it because it is “one of the lost parts of American history.”

Jim is one of our most frequent docents, and is here to give tours several times a week from 10am-2pm at the Jackson Center. He calls the Center “a unique asset to the City of Jamestown. It is a hidden gem.”
It has been four years, but the Jackson Center was thrilled to reestablish its Teacher Fellows program and welcome five educators from Central and Western New York to attend the 2019 Robert H. Jackson Center Teacher Fellowship Program in Jamestown with the generous support of the Cummins Foundation in Columbus, Indiana. These educators were given unprecedented access to the Robert H. Jackson Center archives as well as opportunities to learn about the Cummins Engine Company’s business model, based on J. Irwin Miller’s values of corporate responsibility. This year’s Fellowship Program welcomed Adam Brown, Southwestern Central High School; Dollene Christopher, Allegany-Limestone Central School District; Nicole Falkner, North Collins Central School District; Nicholas Lind, Monroe County BOCES; and Peter Stuhlmiller: Kenmore-Tonawanda CSD. Throughout the week, teachers met and toured with Cummins Jamestown Engine Plant (JEP) staff, spoke with Jackson experts, and visited the historic Hall of Philosophy located on the grounds of Chautauqua Institution for lectures. Using opportunities from the program and Jamestown as their backdrop, Fellows created engaging and rigorous classroom-ready materials that preserve and promote the extraordinary legacies of Jackson and Miller.

Fellows learned about Cummins’ “corporate responsibility” mission, as well as programs offered to Cummins employees that embody a responsible corporate structure. Fellows met with JEP Human Resource Manager Lori Jafarjian for an honest conversation about what educators can do in the classroom to train the next generation of U.S. workers. The late J. Irwin Miller, former Cummins CEO and the man credited with saving the engine company, used his privileged position in life to ensure social equality, fairness in the work environment. “Martin Luther King called Miller the most socially responsible businessman in the country.” The Cathedral Builder, by Charles E. Mitchell Rentschler (2014). Jafarjian stressed Cummins’ commitment to Chautauqua County and northern Pennsylvania, and its three-pillared focus on education, environmental conservatism, and social equality (equal opportunity). Fellows also received an eye-opening tour of the Cummins JEP’s one million-square-foot facility.

On August 14, the Fellows travelled to Chautauqua Institution to listen to hear Heather McGhee, former president of the think tank Demos. McGhee spoke ‘truth to power’ during her remarks, discussing the social cost of racism in our nation’s history, as well as the cost today. Fellows later took a self-guided stroll throughout Chautauqua’s grounds, retracing steps Robert H. Jackson once took while he lived in Jamestown.

Prof. John Q. Barrett’s visit during the week was a highlight for many, as he shared his immense knowledge of Jackson with the Fellows. Prof. Barrett is a Jackson scholar, Elizabeth S. Lenna Fellow and member of the Board at the Jackson Center. He worked with the Fellows to help narrow their focus and provide invaluable materials for their Jackson lesson and unit plans. Jackson Center co-founder and Phillips Lytle attorney Gregory Peterson engaged the Fellows by recounting details of his interviews with world-famous prosecutors, U.S. Supreme Court Justices and his quest to establish a living memorial in Justice Jackson’s honor, as well as his vision for the Jackson Center’s next twenty years. In 2021, the Jackson Center will celebrate its 20th anniversary.

Former Jackson Center President, Chief of Prosecutions for Sierra Leone and former JAG officer, James Johnson, spent an hour with the Fellows discussing Justice Jackson’s Nuremberg legacy and how Jackson’s role on the international stage has influenced later international tribunals, including the military tribunals set up in the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda. Johnson also discussed how an international court is established, including its organizational structure.

Special thanks to Dennis Frank, St. Bonaventure Archivist, who assisted the Fellows in their historical research and lesson planning at the Jackson Center. The entire Jackson Center Teacher Fellows program was coordinated with immense talents of the Jackson Center’s Educational Advisor, Michael Baronich, who developed the very

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THE HASHTAG SPIRIT AWARD

Tori Irgang, Executive Director of the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation, presents The Hashtag Spirit Award to RHJC’s Communications & Programs Administration Manager Nicole Gustafson.
On August 25, President Kristan McMahon had the honor of bestowing the 2019 Joshua Heintz Humanitarian Award on Irwin Cotler. The event marked the opening of the 13th annual International Humanitarian Law Roundtable (IHLR).

Cotler is Chair of the Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights, an Emeritus Professor of Law at McGill University, former Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada and longtime Member of Parliament, and an international human rights lawyer. Attorney Joshua Heintz was present to hand Cotler the glass obelisk Heintz Award, which Cotler accepted as “recognition of the cases and causes that I’ve had the honor to be engaged with and the political prisoners that I have had the privilege to be involved with in their pursuit of justice.” Cotler’s clients included Nelson Mandela during his imprisonment in South Africa.

Cotler addressed current political prisoners held in Saudi Arabia, along with genocides abroad. On the 25th anniversary year of the genocide of the Tutsi in Rwanda, Cotler took the occasion to note that the genocide was unspeakable not only because of the horrors, but because it was preventable. “Nobody can say that we did not know. We knew but did not act.” Addressing an audience that included international prosecutors from across the globe, Cotler concluded his remarks, stating:

> It is a special pleasure and privilege to be amongst those who are at the forefront of justice, who are underpinning the advocacy of the community of democracies, who are combating the impunity in the resurgent global authoritarianism and who are helping to bring forth the release of these great, heroic political prisoners, whose struggle is for our common humanity and our shared case and cause.

At the conclusion of the award presentation, internationally acclaimed musician and humanitarian Samite sat for an interview and musical performance of “A Story of Resilience” with Jackson Center co-founder and Board member, Gregory Peterson. Samite has performed solo, with Paul Simon, and other artists around the world. The interview featured much of his life story as a refugee from Uganda living under the regime of Idi Amin, along with videos of his work with the Musicians for World Harmony non-profit he founded in 2002.

Samite has traveled the world to work with child soldiers, victims of trauma, and patients with Alzheimer’s to uncover the therapeutic power of music. “Music has the power to heal,” he said, “even through the deepest of wounds.” He recently collaborated with the filmmakers of “Alive Inside,” an award-winning documentary on the power of music to awaken the memories locked away in patients with Alzheimer’s disease and dementia.

The evening concluded with a mesmerizing musical performance by Samite on the flute and Kalimba, or ‘thumb piano.’ Having played the flute for over fifty years, Samite captivated the audience with original compositions he performed and encouraged the audience to join him in chorus.

The Jackson Center is grateful for our donors and the sponsorship support of LaBella Associates, Blackstone-Ney Ultrasonics and the Whitney R. Harris Endowment Fund held at Chautauqua Region Community Foundation that made the evening possible.
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**Construction Update**

It’s exciting to see a little progress every day! The vision of redesigning a new Jackson Center welcome area is slowly becoming a reality. The demolition is finished, footers and foundations poured and the elevator shaft to our second floor has been built. With air vents in place, air condition will soon be available in our 19th century mansion. This is just the beginning of our vision of new classroom and seminar spaces. Call 716-483-6646 if you want to discuss how you can become part of making that dream a reality. But, if you can’t wait to see the final results, please stop by and see what’s happening!

*In progress, walls for our new Prendergast Avenue lobby.*
On July 1, 2019, Donald Verrilli delivered the 15th Annual Robert H. Jackson Lecture at the Chautauqua Institution. He spoke of the important role the Supreme Court plays in ensuring the other branches of government are on the level while taking care not to overstep its limited role in the system. Mr. Verrilli said the Supreme Court, in this era, is walking a particularly challenging line. He used two recent Supreme Court cases - Trump v. Hawaii, otherwise known as the Travel Ban Case, decided last year and the Census Case decided in late June 2019 – to highlight this challenge.

On the level means not only straight and true, but also equality, capturing the idea that no one is above the law. He said it is an idea “so simple, so basic, that we take it for granted.” Government works when the public trusts that the government is acting for the reasons it says it acting. When people do not know what to believe, they stop believing in anything, “which is dangerous ground for democracy and fertile ground for authoritarianism.”

If the Supreme Court scrutinizes the executive or legislative branch’s decisions more closely, it is raising the bar the government must meet and setting a precedent that shifts power away from democratically accountable branches to the democratically unaccountable court. However, if the court doesn’t act when it is clear the rationale behind the decision is not on the level, then it is lowering the bar and basically saying that if the executive/legislative branch can just come up with a facially neutral rationale for its action, all is well.

During the question portion, Mr. Verrilli stated that he thought the concept of term limits for Supreme Court justices, which would reduce the polarizations of the process. In answering a question regarding appointments to lower courts, he mused that we no longer ask ourselves, “Is this person wise? Does this person know how to make good decisions? Does this person have good judgment?” He believes that we value this less and there would be better appointments if those questions moved to the fore.

Mr. Verrilli is the fourth former Solicitor General to serve as the Jackson Lecturer. He served as a Solicitor General during the Obama Administration, where he successfully defended the constitutional protection of marriage equality and the constitutionality of the Affordable Care Act as well as the legality of its implementation. Since 2016, Mr. Verrilli has been a partner at Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP in Washington, DC.

Black Friday. Cyber Monday.

#GIVINGTUESDAY

December 3, 2019

Save the Date for #GivingTuesday!

Giving Tuesday, December 3rd, is a global day of giving that harnesses the collective power of individuals, communities and organizations to encourage giving and to celebrate generosity worldwide. Every year, on GivingTuesday, millions of people across the globe mobilize to show up, give back, and change their communities. The goal is to create a massive wave of generosity that lasts well beyond that day, and touches every person on the planet.

The Robert H. Jackson Center will participate this year. Save the date, and keep an eye out on our social media pages for details on our #GivingTuesday campaign!
With the generous support of our donors and sponsors, almost one thousand elementary and middle school students took an enthralling journey back in time this past June - all while seated in the Jackson Center’s Cappa Theatre. For the fourth year in a row, the Jackson Center hosted Living Voices, a unique multi-media combination of theater, digital, and live interaction that creates a high impact experience to teach important lessons in history.

For the younger students, we presented “New American” to tell the story of a young girl traveling from her native Ireland to Ellis Island, NY at the turn of the century. Over two days and through two performances a day, actress Elizabeth Rainer skillfully transformed into a young Irish girl recounting her travels alone across the Atlantic Ocean to America in the early 1900s.

During the two days Ms. Rainer was in residence at the Jackson Center, she also performed “Through the Eyes of a Friend” for middle school students. Her deeply moving performance as a fictionalized teenage friend of Anne Frank made the day-to-day events leading up to the Holocaust very real to the students. For context, the program started with an explanation of symbols, tools and relevant terminology to assure students understood what they would be witnessing during the performance and how the Nazis stripped away civil rights in a calculated effort to murder millions of Jewish people, as well as dissidents; homosexuals; individuals with disabilities; and racial and religious minorities.

Some students wiped tears away when they learned the details of Anne Frank’s ordeal or of the workplace deaths at the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire in 1911. As a result of these performances, the students had a deeper understanding of why civil liberties or labor laws are so important. Because of our donors, thousands of students have a deeper understanding and appreciation for the lessons of history.

A special thanks to Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus BOCES and Heritage Ministries Management for their sponsorship support.

LIVING VOICES MADE HISTORY COME TO LIFE

Elizabeth Ranier, actress with Living Voices, answers questions and addresses the crowd of students at one of the Center’s multiple Living Voices performances.

Upcoming Events

October 18: Domestic Violence Awareness Event

October 26: A Perfect Pairing Dinner-A Fundraiser to Benefit the Jackson Center

November 16: Welcome Home, Veterans: Mail Call
The Robert H. Jackson Center joined 96 other local nonprofits for Give Big CHQ, a 24-hour online giving day hosted by the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation (CRCF). Through the generosity of our supporters, the Jackson Center raised $2,110.30 on June 13, 2019 for our educational programming. CRCF awarded the Jackson Center a Hashtag Spirit Award and $50 for our use of the #GiveBigCHQ hashtag on our social media pages leading up to and during the giving day. Finally, one of our Board members staked a matching gift challenge, bringing our grand total to more than $3,300. Thank you to all who donated, shared our social media posts, and made this day a successful one! With your help, we look forward to moving up the leaderboards next year.

“A FASHIONABLE VERDICT”

Friends of and newcomers to the Jackson Center shopped with a purpose at the Jackson Center’s pop-up event on August 17, 2019. Shoppers as young as seven years old learned lessons in philanthropy in a fun, festive setting where women chose fashionable fall dresses, jewelry, jackets, scarves and purses among many other items. The two vendors donated 20 percent of every purchase back to support the work of the Jackson Center.

Kathy Clingan assembled her Take a Bough Collection of clothing by working with New York City buyers early in the year. She selected high-quality clothing at very competitive prices, so visitors were able to purchase unique designs at deeply discounted prices. The compelling story of Rebel Nell gave shoppers a double boost in support of social justice and the rule of law. Every piece of Rebel Nell jewelry is created by women in transition who design earrings, bracelets and necklaces from graffiti paint chips that have fallen from walls around Detroit, Michigan.

The Jackson Center was grateful for the support of our engaged shoppers, the dedicated volunteers: Joyce Sechler, Ali Russell, Cindy Peterson, and our models and contributors extraordinaire: Suzy Conner, Shirley Daly, Denis Hepler, Patty Idzik, Holly Sullivan, Betsy Shepherd, Jane Kidder and Sydelle Sonkin.

Thanks to all for a day of joy, fun and the satisfaction of more than $10,000 in sales!
Thank you to our Summer Interns!
The Robert H. Jackson Center selected nine interns this summer who worked on various projects, including new exhibits, studying Justice Jackson’s cases, posting on our social media pages, and much more!

We are grateful for all of their hard work this summer and look forward to supporting them in their bright futures!
HOW WILL YOU BE REMEMBERED?

Leaving a gift in your will to The Robert H. Jackson Center is a once in a lifetime chance to educate current and future generations on the important lessons of justice, democracy and issues of fairness that represent the legacy of Justice Jackson. For your kindness, we’ll always remember you.

To learn how easy it is to leave a legacy gift to the Jackson Center, please call Marion Beckerink, Director of Development, at (716) 483-6646.

WAYS YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

DONOR-ADVISED FUND
Contribute cash, securities or other assets to a donor-advised fund at a public charity, like the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation, and you are generally eligible to take an immediate tax deduction. The Foundation invests your funds for tax-free growth and you can recommend grants to the Robert H. Jackson Center as an IRS-qualified public charity.

MATCHING GIFT
Initiate a matching gift from your employer by completing and mailing your company’s gift-matching form with your check, or mail the completed form to the Jackson Center after you make an online gift.

APPRECIATED SECURITIES
Donate shares of stocks or mutual funds to the Jackson Center by initiating a DTC transfer through your broker. Please notify our Director of Development, Marion Beckerink, at tmbeckerink@roberthjackson.org or call 716-483-6646 when you initiate the transfer of securities or instruct your broker to contact us, with the name of the donor, the number of shares, and the type of securities. This allows us to record and recognize your gift appropriately.

PRIVATE AND FAMILY FOUNDATIONS
Grants and gifts from private and family foundations provide significant financial support for the Jackson Center’s programs, physical plant, and infrastructure. To discuss funding opportunities, please email tmbeckerink@roberthjackson.org or call 716-483-6646.

GIVING SOCIETIES

The Jackson Society
Join our Jackson Society! Gifts of every size are important to sustain the Jackson Center; but, with your annual gift of $1,000 or more, you enjoy advance notice of Jackson Center happenings, invitations to exclusive events, and an annual social gala while providing significant support for the Center’s ongoing operations and programs.

Bench Circle
Come to our Bench Circle! Our Bench Circle members recognize the value of providing monthly support as a funding source on which we can regularly depend. Sign up today online at www.roberthjackson.org/support. Or call (716) 483-6646 to set your monthly support amount. You will allow us to better plan our future programming initiatives knowing we can count on your regular, monthly gift amount.