

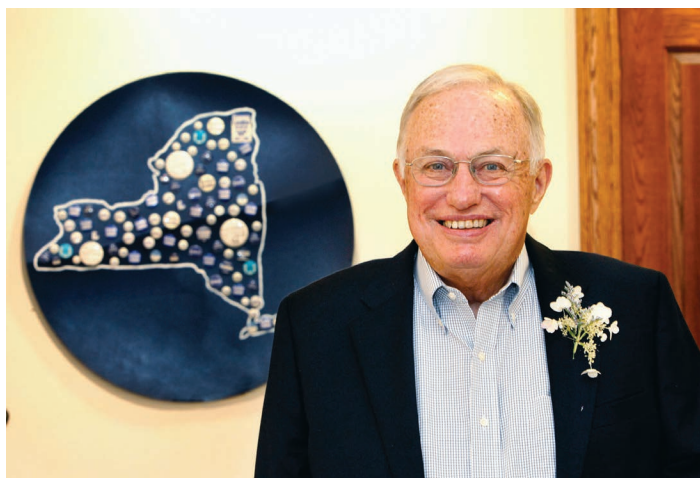


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STAN LUNDINE: AN INNOVATIVE LEADER WITH INTEGRITY



Stan Lundine posing with a portion of the "Leading with Integrity and Innovation: A Tribute to Stan Lundine", designed by RHJC Intern and St. Bonaventure undergraduate student Ashlee Gray. Photo credit: Lori Savaree

Jamestown Mayor, U.S. Congressperson and New York State Lieutenant Governor - Stan Lundine made a positive impact locally and nationally, serving with integrity and innovation. On the 80th anniversary of his birth and fifty years after winning his first public office, Lundine enjoyed a celebration of his life and RHJC on September 8, 2019 when family, friends and constituents gathered to thank him in person for his lifelong civic commitment.

New York State Lt. Governor Kathy Hochul joined Chautauqua County Executive George Borrello and Jamestown Mayor Sam Teresi to honor Lundine as fellow public servants. U.S. Congressman Brian Higgins, who could not be present, also asked Mayor Teresi to read his personal letter of appreciation to Stan.

Hochul noted that despite Lundine's impressive titles, he never forgot from where he came. Moreover, she acknowledged the family sacrifices the public never sees and extended special thanks to his wife, Sara, and his sons, John and Mark. She read a proclamation from New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, recognizing the special connection Lundine shares with the Cuomo family, having served as Lieutenant Governor under Mario Cuomo, father of the current Governor. The proclamation noted that Lundine's "unwavering civic commitment and expertise made him an invaluable resource to everyone around him." Regardless of party affiliation, everyone lauded Lundine as the quintessential public servant.

RHJC board member and Jamestown High School (JHS) graduate Sam Morgante, now a Washington, D.C., resident, chaired the Lundine event with the support of fellow JHS classmate and former RHJC board member Joseph Zanetta, Esq., who flew from his home in Santa Barbara, CA to share remarks. Jamestown attorney Charles Hall and former NYS Assembly member Rolland Kidder spoke about how Lundine inspired them to serve

YOUR DIGNIFIED SELFLESS MANNER CONTRIBUTED TO YOUR EFFECTIVENESS AT EVERY POST IN WHICH YOU HAVE SERVED. YOUR STYLE WAS NOT ONE OF BOMBAST OR THE HYPERACTIVE, IT WAS RATHER OF THE STEADY DETERMINATION NECESSARY TO IDENTIFY A FOCUS, SUSTAIN IT AND SEE THE PROJECT OR GOAL THROUGH TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION.

BRIAN HIGGINS, U.S. CONGRESSMAN (NY-26)

in public office and focus on the needs of the community. Kidder said the best advice Stan ever shared was that: "Politics is important, *but it's just politics*...don't let it get too personal. Sometimes you lose. The public should decide who gets elected."

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A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Friends of the Jackson Center,

Since I began serving as President of the Jackson Center in April, I have noticed the dedication of our staff, the devotion of our volunteers, and the fidelity of our patrons and sponsors. I hope you hear thanks from us every time you are in our orbit, but it makes sense during this season of gratitude to formalize that sentiment. Thank you.

Thank you for welcoming me to the Jackson Center. Thank you to the Jackson Center staff and Board for their support and openness to new ideas. Thank you to the docents and volunteers for all of the hours you put in to showcasing the Jackson Center and helping us with our work. Thank you to the interns, teacher fellows, and educational advisors who enable us to expand the Jackson Center's reach. Thank you to those who participate in our programs for bringing your voices and expertise to our audience. Thank you to those audiences, of all ages, for your continued interest in understanding the legacy and relevance of Justice Jackson. Thank you to all of our donors, sponsors, and partners, who sustain everything we do here – programs, exhibits, construction, new ventures – and encourage the Center's growth.

The 75th-anniversary cycle of the International Military Tribunal at Nuremberg begins next Spring. We will focus on commemorating and celebrating that anniversary in 2020 and 2021 through programs, exhibits, and other explorations in Jamestown, DC, and London, just to name a few. We are excited for what the next couple of years hold and look forward to seeing you at our events and at the Jackson Center. We wish you a happy and healthy season of gratitude and festivities.

Warmly,



Kristan McMahon, President
Robert H. Jackson Center



*RHJC President Kristan McMahon with RHJC Board member Stan Lundine.
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From Left to Right: Stan Lundine, New York State Lt. Governor Kathy Hochul, RHJC President Kristan McMahon, RHJC Board Chair Leah Weinberg, and RHJC Co-founder and board member Gregory L. Peterson.



Mayor of Jamestown Sam Teresi (Left) presents Stan with the key to the City of Jamestown. Photo credit: Lori Savaree

The event included the premiere of a short video documentary of Lundine's life created by Ashlee Gray, a senior at St. Bonaventure University. Gray also curated a special exhibit "A Tribute to Stan Lundine: Leading with Integrity & Innovation," which remains on public exhibit at the Jackson Center.

Everyone appreciated the closing remarks from Stan's two sons, John and Mark Lundine, who traveled from Guatemala and Ohio, respectively, to share the evening with their father. Both sons revealed how Stan's public values closely aligned with the private man they know. John said the word 'integrity' was perfectly suited for his father. Reading both definitions of the word - (1) "the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles" and (2) "the state of being whole and undivided," John saw his father aptly described by each. Recounting an offer he made to help his dad campaign over a four-day weekend home from college in 1994, John asked where they might go during that time. Stan replied, "Schenectady, Plattsburg, Watertown and then Ithaca." When John responded: "Wow, Dad that sounds like a great long weekend, Stan retorted: "No, that's the first day!"

John, and everyone present on September 8, appreciated that Stan Lundine's 'normal' exemplified a career undivided from the people he served, so others could live their lives with dignity. The Jackson Center is uniquely grateful for Stan's friendship, guidance and continued service to our board and as past board chair.

If you would like to honor Stan Lundine's living legacy to public service, please call the Jackson Center at (716) 483-6646 to donate to the Robert H. Jackson Center's *Stan Lundine Education Endowment Fund*. Help us inspire another generation of young women and men to lead with integrity and innovation.

RHJC FEATURED ON THE WEST WING WEEKLY

This past summer, RHJC President Kristan McMahon was re-watching *The West Wing* and heard part of Justice Jackson's Federal Prosecutor speech quoted in the "Welcome to Wherever You Are" episode. She emailed the producers of *The West Wing Weekly* podcast about the speech, and Justice Jackson and provided the link to the speech on RHJC's website. The podcast aired its discussion of "Welcome to Wherever You Are" on November 5, 2019. In it, hosts Hrishikesh Hirway and Joshua Malina (who played Will Bailey on *The West Wing*), read a portion of Kristan's email and listed the speech on the Center's website in the footnotes of the podcast. Hear it for yourself just before minute 40 of the podcast: <http://thewestwingweekly.com/episodes/715>.



ROBERT H. JACKSON CENTER PARTICIPATES IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

On October 18, The Robert H. Jackson Center was pleased to host author and speaker Linda Dynel for “Domestic Violence: One Woman’s Journey of Survival.” Ms. Dynel spoke to an audience of advocates and community members from her experience as a domestic violence survivor, described fully in her book, *Leaving Dorian*. The Salvation Army and Catholic Charities hosted sessions after Ms. Dynel’s presentation on assisting surviving spouses and children of domestic violence and holding the offender accountable. The program was generated by the Chautauqua County Integrated Domestic Violence Court and the Jamestown City Court. Refreshments were provided by the Jamestown Bar Association. Judge Stephen Cass, Chautauqua County Surrogate Court Judge and RHJC board member, introduced the program. Thank you to all who participated in the event to assist in providing support and hope to our community.



Linda Dynel, author of Leaving Dorian.



The Jackson Center staff also participated in Purple Thursday on October 25, which is Domestic Violence Awareness Day. The staff wore purple to raise awareness about domestic and spousal abuse, teen dating violence, and intimate partner violence.

From left to right: Sherry Schutter, Operations Manager, Nicole Gustafson, Communications and Program Administration Manager, T. Marion Beckerink, Director of Development, and Kristan McMahon, President.

ROBERT H. JACKSON CENTER HOSTS MAYORAL CANDIDATE FORUM



JRC Executive Director Peter Miraglia, standing, addresses mayoral candidates (seated, left to right) Andrew Liuzzo, David Wilfong, and Eddie Sundquist.

On September 26, The Robert H. Jackson Center partnered with the Jamestown Renaissance Corporation and Jamestown Young Professionals to host the first of many public forums dedicated to the City of Jamestown mayoral race. Candidates Andrew Liuzzo, Eddie Sundquist and David Wilfong each had fifteen minutes to describe his platform and plans for the city. Each candidate then took questions from the audience on issues such as zombie mortgage properties and plans to bring economic growth to the city. The program was moderated by Peter Miraglia, Executive Director of the Jamestown Renaissance Corporation.

Thank you to each of the candidates, Jamestown Renaissance Corporation, and Jamestown Young Professionals for all of their hard work and for hosting a great and informative event. Congratulations to Eddie Sunquist, who was elected Mayor of Jamestown on November 5th, and to Andrew Liuzzo and David Wilfong on their impactful campaigns.

AN IDEAL MATCH



An enthusiastic crowd graced the Jackson Center to enjoy an evening of quality wines, delicious food, lively conversation and an opportunity to support the work of the Center. The second annual “A Perfect Pairing” benefit dinner brought guests from near and far on October 26 to dine on a four-course autumn meal prepared by Executive Chef Marlene Lucas. Each course was paired with a unique wine selected by Sam Whitmore, a level-one sommelier and owner of Bag & String Wine Merchants in Lakewood, NY.

A treasure trove of items for silent auction or raffle were displayed around the room during the event. Ann Kohl placed the winning bid for the Chautauqua Institution basket, which included tickets to the Winter Village, Mother’s Day Brunch and Summer Gate Passes. There was a heated silent auction battle for the 12-person wine tasting package, and Alyssa Porter emerged victoriously. Tim and Kristin Asinger won the raffle for the Jamestown Staycation basket - four passes to the National Comedy Center/Lucy-Desi Museum, dinner for two at Forte Restaurant, a dozen cupcakes from Full Moon Rising Bakery and an overnight stay at the Chautauqua Harbor Hotel. Many more beautiful and fun items were raffled to benefit the Jackson Center.

The Jackson Center debuted a new short video created by Brian Hill, Jackson Center intern and 2019 graduate of Allegheny College. “Robert H. Jackson Center: Then, Now, and Forever” highlighted the history and focused on our plans for the future and the ever-present need for the Center’s work. The video is on the Jackson Center’s YouTube channel.

We are grateful to all who joined us for a lovely evening of fellowship and generous support. A special thanks to Bag & String Wine Merchants, Chautauqua Harbor Hotel, Chautauqua Institution, Crown Street Roasting Company, Forte Restaurant, Full Moon Rising Bakery, GG My Love, National Comedy Center, Rebel Nell and Wegmans for their generous donations to our event.

PROSECUTORS’ POWER, RESPONSIBILITY AND DISCRETION

On September 17, 2019, nearly 100 high school students celebrated Constitution Day at the Robert H. Jackson Courthouse in Buffalo with the seventh annual James Otis Lecture. This year’s theme, ‘Power, Responsibility and Prosecutorial Discretion, The Constitutional Charge to the Executive Branch’ used Justice Jackson’s Federal Prosecutor speech as the foundation of a dynamic discussion about the complexity of administering justice.

Matthew Steilen, University at Buffalo School of Law professor, set the tone for the program with a lesson on what discretion means and some of the factors prosecutors consider and judgments they make when determining whether to move forward. He then helped the students think through the origin of this power and its roots in the Constitution.

Marianne Mariano and James P. Kennedy, Jr. provided the students with examples of how this discretion functions through real case examples. Mariano is the Federal Public Defender for the Western District of New York and Kennedy is the U.S. Attorney for the Western District of New York. They focused on how they work together in an adversarial system to achieve just outcomes.

Following the formal program, dozens of judges and lawyers ate lunch with the students and answered questions on legal careers, law school, memorable moments in their practices, and challenges they had overcome. Each table of students took full advantage of their access to the practitioners, many coming prepared with questions. They also raised thoughts from the morning’s lessons to discuss with their tablemates.

The James Otis Lecture Series is the result of a partnership between the Buffalo Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA), the Hon. William M. Skretny, and the Jackson Center. This lecture program about the United States Constitution is designed to allow schools to comply with the requirements of the federal statute creating Constitution Day. This law requires all federally-assisted schools, both public and private, to provide educational programs each year around the anniversary of the signing of the Constitution. Earlier this year, the James Otis Lecture Series won the Erie County Bar Association’s Liberty Bell Award, which recognizes community service that has strengthened the American System of freedom under the law.

FALL CLE BRINGS SOLAR ENERGY DEVELOPMENT, FAMILY LAW AND SPORTS LAW DISCUSSION



Standing (Left to Right): Gregory Peterson, RHJC Co-founder and board member and Partner at Phillips Lytle, Dennis W. Elsenbeck, Head of Energy and Sustainability, Energy Consulting Services at Phillips Lytle, Kevin C. Blake, Associate at Phillips Lytle, David P. Flynn, Partner at Phillips Lytle, Professor Helen A. “Nellie” Drew of University at Buffalo School of Law, Daniel R. Maguire, Associate at Phillips Lytle, Thomas F. Puchner, Partner at Phillips Lytle. Seated (Left to Right): Hon. Stephen W. Cass, Chautauqua County Surrogate Court, Hon. Lynn L. Hartley, former judge of the Chautauqua County Family Court, Hon. Judith S. Claire, former judge of the Chautauqua County Family Court, Hon. Jeffrey A. Piazza, Chautauqua County Family Court Judge, and Hon. Michael J. Sullivan, Chautauqua County Family Court Judge.

The Jackson Center offered a rich selection of diverse topics for our 2019 Fall Continuing Legal Education (CLE) seminar on October 15. An audience of New York and Pennsylvania attorneys, business professionals, developers, environmentalists, high school students, and engaged citizens attended the CLE from 8:30 am – 2:00 pm. The program provided 4.0 CLE Credits for attorneys.

The CLE started with a panel discussion on “Solar Energy Opportunities and Challenges,” moderated by Phillips Lytle, LLC partner David P. Flynn, the practice team leader for the firm’s energy, environment, and nanotechnology teams. The panelists included Phillips Lytle attorneys Kevin C. Blake, Dennis W. Elsenbeck, and Thomas F. Puchner. Each addressed recent legal and regulatory developments in solar energy, as well as the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act. The discussion advanced to an overview of solar regulations, SEQRA, zoning considerations and Article 10. Tax considerations under RPTL 487 were addressed, as well as the opportunities and challenges of solar and brownfield development. The project manager of

Delaware River Solar (DRS), Daniel Compitello, completed the panel to discuss DRS’s focus on building community solar projects throughout New York State.

Midday, the program focus shifted to a panel of current and former Chautauqua County Family Court judges discussing “40 Years of Family Court: A Retrospective.” Chautauqua County Surrogate Court Judge Stephen W. Cass facilitated the conversation with the Honorable Judith S. Claire, the Honorable Lynn L. Hartley, the Honorable Jeffery A. Piazza, and the Honorable Michael Sullivan. The judges reflected on the evolution of changes in family court and the unique challenges that arise in that court. They discussed issues related to child support, juvenile delinquency, child abuse and neglect, persons in need of supervision, foster care placements, adoptions, and the termination of parental rights and family offenses. For the audience of adults and high school students, the panel offered a greater appreciation for how deeply judges consider the consequences of their decisions and painstaking work of the court.

The Center was privileged to conclude the daylong event with University at Buffalo Law School Professor Helen A. “Nellie” Drew interviewed by attorney Gregory Peterson. A graduate of Harvard and University at Buffalo School of Law, Drew lived up to her reputation as an expert in sports law issues ranging from NCAA compliance and Title IX matters to facility construction, discipline of professional athletes, collective bargaining and franchise issues. She addressed the current move to compensate college athletes and a range of timely sports law topics. The conversation covered her lifelong career in sports law, including how she was instrumental in negotiating and drafting contracts for Pat LaFontaine, Dominik Hasek, and Alexander Mogilny, among others. She also was part of the legal team that handled numerous NHL contract negotiations, including for the Anaheim Mighty Ducks, the Ottawa Senators, the Tampa Bay Lightning and the San Jose Sharks.

The program was possible through the generosity of our donors and the following sponsors: Phillips Lytle, LLC, Chautauqua Region Community Foundation, County of Chautauqua Industrial Development Agency, Chautauqua Abstract Company, Falconer Printing & Design, The Jamestown Bar Association, Kessel Construction, Northern Chautauqua Community Foundation, Rodgers Land Surveying, Chautauqua County Sports Hall of Fame and Elegant Edibles.

ROBERT H. JACKSON CENTER LAUNCHING CIVICS PROGRAM ON GIVING TUESDAY

CivicSparx

Civic engagement today,
Community leaders tomorrow.



#GIVINGTUESDAY



On Tuesday, December 3, 2019, in conjunction with **#GivingTuesday**, a 24-hour day of global giving, the Robert H. Jackson Center will launch its inaugural **CivicSparx** Program to engage, educate and empower a new generation of citizens who, in the tradition of Robert H. Jackson, will make their community a better place.

On December 3, the Jackson Center will host team-building exercises, breakout groups, and interactive activities to engage a group of Jamestown Public Schools students as preparation for a project development opportunity that will make a difference in the community.

In January 2020, the Jackson Center will host and furnish all of the books, teacher lesson plan guides, and work-book materials to educate students on every level of civic engagement over a 10-week period using seminar-based lesson plans. The selected lesson plans are a modified version of a Solution Civics program that includes discussion on the role of legislation, constitutional considerations and solutions to real-world problems. All courses will be taught by Jamestown Public Schools educators. Students will learn to identify a real-world problem, research solutions, and make presentations to stakeholders, among many other skills.

At the end of the 10-week curriculum, the Jackson Center will begin accepting applications from individual students or teams of students who have designed a solution-oriented project to improve their community. The Jackson Center will select the two winning teams or individuals who submit the most dynamic project plans. The two winners each will receive a \$500 stipend to assist the students' efforts to bring their project to fruition over a set period of time during the summer. The goal is to empower student citizens to become more directly engaged in their communities. An adult mentor will be assigned to work with the students during 30 percent of their project as a motivator and guide.

The Jackson Center's #GivingTuesday goal is to raise \$5,000 to begin funding the cost of books, materials and lesson plans for CivicSparx in Jamestown in 2020 and, hopefully, other school districts in the future.

You can donate directly to our #GivingTuesday campaign online at <https://www.roberthjackson.org/event/civic-sparx-givingtuesday/>, through our Facebook or Instagram pages, or call us at 716-483-6646.

PARDON OUR DUST-CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

"Close" is the word! We are "closing" in on the finish date and "enclosed" for colder weather.

Exterior work is winding up, and the contractors are beginning to focus on the interior tasks. The outside brickwork is finished, and they have begun pouring concrete for the ramps and steps. Rooftop units for air conditioning were installed. Studs and drywall are up, and they have started painting the entrance and lobby. Our new elevator is in and awaiting some electrical work and the all-important inspection.

We are open and welcoming visitors. Please stop by, using the Fourth Street entrance, and we'd be happy to show you the progress!



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*Robert H. Jackson Lecture: U.S. Solicitor General Donald B. Verrilli Jr. with RHJC Interns.
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Living Voices-"Through the Eyes of a Friend."



*Warren Day-PA Supreme Court Justice Max Baer with Allegheny College Students.
Photo Credit: Lori Savaree*

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 3: Giving Tuesday/CivicSparx *The Robert H. Jackson Center*

A 24-hour global day of giving. This Giving Tuesday, the Jackson Center will kick-off our CivicSparx Project in our Cappa Theatre to engage, educate and empower a new generation of civic leaders. See the article in this newsletter for more information. Check out our social media pages and website for updated on December 3.

Save the Dates for our 2020 Programs!

January 18: Doors Open Jamestown **10:00am-5:00pm** *The Robert H. Jackson Center*

Come in during Doors Open Jamestown for a tour of the Jackson Center & to see all that downtown Jamestown has to offer! Make a purchase or answer the question for the citywide scavenger hunt and be entered into the Doors Open Jamestown Raffle!

February 12: Jackson Day *Warren, PA*

The Robert H. Jackson Center celebrates Jackson Day in Warren County every year during the week of Robert H. Jackson's Birthday (February 14th). Stay tuned to our website and social media pages for upcoming details on this event.

April 8: Living Voices-"Hear My Voice" **9:00am, 10:30am & Noon** *The Robert H. Jackson Center*

A live, multi-media program highlighting the battle and ultimate victory for the women's suffrage movement on the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment. Free and open to the public, advanced registration required.

May 9: Battle of the Books *The Robert H. Jackson Center*

Watch middle school student in a dynamic, literature-based competition vie for team supremacy by answering trivia questions about the chosen books.

May 19: Young Readers Program *Reg Lenna Center for the Arts*

The 16th annual Young Readers keynote speaker will be author A.S. King.

June 11: Give Big Chq *The World Wide Web*

A 24-hour online giving event for Chautauqua County nonprofits. Find out more as the date gets closer on our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages!

June 16 & 17: Living Voices: **"Through the Eyes of A Friend" & "New American"** *The Robert H. Jackson Center* **9:00am, 10:30am & Noon**

Live, multi-media programs on the Holocaust and immigration as seen through the eyes of a young adult. Free and open to the public, advanced registration required.

August 7-10: International **Humanitarian Law Roundtable (IHLR)** *London, England*

We will commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the London Charter, which created the International Military Tribunal at Nuremberg, with the IHLR in London. The Roundtable will happen on August 8-9. Please let us know if you are interested in learning more about this trip as we are putting it together.