

RPCVs of NENY Oral History Project

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Mission Statement

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Goals

Kennedy Library Project – on website here... http://rpcv-neny.org/RPCV_Archival

RPCVs of NENY

To record and preserve the rich Peace Corps experiences of the members of RPCVs of NENY in audio and video form.

Possible uses of the audio transcripts and video footage:

- 1) Historical and archival record of the group members' overseas experiences as Peace Corps volunteers and "3rd Goal" activities at home and abroad
- 2) Recruiting tool both for prospective new volunteers
- 3) Recruiting and PR tool for the group to recruit new membership and promote events and projects
- 4) Community outreach tool for use in school presentations, lobbying work with local and national representatives
- 5) Historical preservation and archiving of group's experiences

List of Tasks and Project Volunteers

Task	Volunteer	Email
Draft Goal Statement & Initial To Do List	Eliot	eliotcresswell@yahoo.com
Identify List of Interviewees	Diane (see email)	
Draft list of Interview Questions	Pat & Sue	
Review Kennedy Library Project parameters	Diane, Jane and ...	
Conduct Interviews	Pat, Sue, Eliot & ...	eliotcresswell@yahoo.com
Maintain/Record Status of project		
Review Deed of Gift and copyright	Steve Gottlieb did 1 st pass. Need copyright lawyer	
Contact Archives	Jane will send updated guidelines to group	
Codify Audio Transcripts	Eliot and ...	eliotcresswell@yahoo.com
Conduct example interview for group	Pat & Joe	

Meet with NYS Library	Bob Daniels & Diane	
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Equipment/Supply Inventory

Item	Quantity	Location	Owner	Notes
Tape Recorders	?	?	Sue	What inputs do the tape recorders have?
Recording/Editing Software	N/A	Saratoga, portable	Eliot	I can record from cassettes to digital/computer
Tapes	2 –3 per interview			should we buy these with treasury funds?

List of interviewees

Name	Country of Service	Years of Service	Current address	Interview format preference
Steve	Iran		Albany	Meeting
Joe Doherty				
Joan LaLibertie	Peru	1962	Callicoon	

Schedule of upcoming events for possible recording

Event	Presenter/ Interviewee	Interviewer/ Recorder	Location	Time/Date
Mini-goal			Identify all equipment	May 5
Monthly Meeting	Joe Doherty	Pat Sears Doherty	Augusta's	May 5
Monthly Meeting				June 2
Mini-goal			Have sample ready for people to listen	June 13
Summer Picnic	Joan LaLibertie		Wilson State Park	June 13
Monthly Meeting				July 7

Question List:

Here's the list...everyone that raised their hand last meeting and everyone that replied in February when I emailed a handful of people.

April 7, 2009:

These are the people who raised their hand at the meeting:

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| 1. Sue Senecah | ssenecah@esf.edu |
| 2. Harry Thornhill | harry@thornhills.com |
| 3. Pat & Joe Doherty | doherty1@nycap.rr.com |
| 4. Bob Fakundiny | fakandannie@earthlink.net |
| 5. Jane Thapa | jthapa@nycap.rr.com |
| 6. Augusta Field | afield3@earthlink.net |
| 7. Eliot Cresswell | eliotcresswell@yahoo.com |
| 8. Diane Peapus | dhpeapus@alum.rpi.edu |

Steve did _not_ raise his hand, but I sent him email to ask about the legal parts, so his name seems to be on the list.

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| 9. Steve Gottlieb | sgott@albanylaw.edu |
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Jeanette _did_ raise her hand, but her name seems to have dropped off the list. As did Jeff Keller.

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| 10. Jeanette Gottlieb | jeanettegny@earthlink.net |
| 11. Jeff Keller | JKeller13@nycap.rr.com |

February 2009 (by email):

I'd remembered that Steve and Bob had replied from February, so I'd added them even though they weren't there to raise their hands.

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| 13. Steve Andersen | steve_intj@yahoo.com |
| 14. Bob Daniels | RDANIELS@MAIL.NYSED.GOV |

Carol, Kathy and Rob had also replied in February, but I hadn't remembered them and hadn't added them to the list. Carol Hegeman's response was more just to question what was going on. She didn't jump in and say "yes"

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| 15. Carol Hegeman | chegeman@nyahsa.org |
| 16. Kathy Sanderson | kcs742003@yahoo.com |
| 17. Rob Groneman | rwgroneman@hotmail.com |

Notes from Jane's discussion Bob Klein & Jamie Quiglone w/Kennedy

Jane

Klein sending most recent version of Archival project guide

Diversify interviews between geography

Journal donation has process, forms

Use cassette tape recorder w/built in mic

Use only decent 60 minute tapes, decent quality

Record only on one side

Use good quality mic

Kennedy can send us a copy once it gets archived

We can keep our own copies and do what we want w/our copies, including sending copy to Kennedy

Diane

Local copy such as at NYS Library would serve as back up for personal copies

Anything archived at NYS Library would still allow us to retain our copyrights

NYS Library available by appt. to discuss protocol for archiving

Group needs to explore how to

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Short presentation to group at next monthly meeting including possibly a sample interview excerpt

Get vote on mission statement of archival project

A la carte vote on tasks/purposes for project at next meeting

Populate to do list

Action items

Eliot will contact Sue to discuss what type of equipment they each have and if Eliot's electronic conversion equipment is compatible with Sue's tape setups.

Pat & Sue will get some questions together

Pat will do a demo interview of Joe at the next meeting.

Will Sue bring her tape recorder to that demo?

Jane will have copies of the latest Kennedy updates from Bob Klein by this weekend. She'll send everyone a copy electronically and bring a few to the next meeting.

Diane will put the Oral History project on the agenda for next meeting at Augusta's

Diane will try to schedule a meeting with the NYS Archivist by next meeting and have copies of their submission paperwork or advisement by next meeting.