

# AMONG FRIENDS *of LBJ*

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Fifteenth Century Painting  
given to  
President Johnson  
by Pope Paul VI.

Merry Christmas to all our friends



## Evenings at the Library Provide

Friends of the LBJ Library were invited to "An Evening With..." Dr. Don Wilson, Archivist of the United States (right) and Ramsey Clark, former Attorney General (below). Wilson described the mission of the National Archives: "We preserve and make available for research the heritage of America. Records about art, architecture, economics, religion, wars and government, as well as the history of families, towns and cities—the National Archives gathers up the chronicles of this nation, transmitting them from generation to generation, and in doing so creates a spirit and tradition that proclaims our civilization." He called the LBJ Library "something of a trail blazer" among Presidential Libraries and a "public program model" because of its exhibition policy of "exploring any aspect of the American past" and the 40-some conference and symposia that have been held since the Library's birth.

Recalling the 1960s, Ramsey Clark said, "You can say that [they] were the best of times or the worst of times and maybe they were both." The burgeoning fear of crime, the riots in the cities and the divisiveness of the Vietnam war were balanced by "a period of idealism... We believed that we could



end racism... We believed that we could end poverty." Turning to conditions in the country today, Clark said: "If we want to have a democracy rather than plutocracy, we have to take the money out of politics. Nothing is clearer to me about the American political scene than that money dominates politics, government."



Robert Dallek, author of a forthcoming biography of Lyndon Johnson, spoke at the Library on the subject of LBJ and the rise of liberal nationalism. Dallek, a professor of history at the University of California at Los Angeles, gave the third Littlefield Lecture Series in American History, sponsored by U.T.'s History Department and College of Liberal Arts. His book, scheduled for publication in the spring by Oxford University Press, is titled *Lyndon B. Johnson, A Political Life, 1908-1960*. It will be the first of two projected volumes.

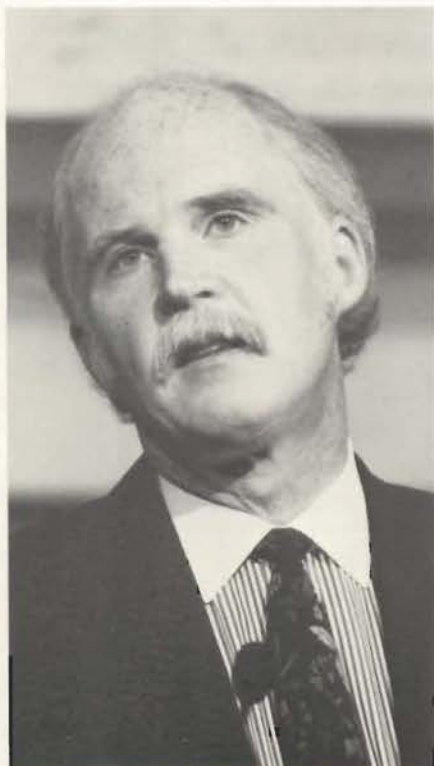




## Substance and Entertainment



The talented trio of Sterling Price-McKinney, Karen Kuykendall and Raymond Daum returned to the Library for another musical evening. This one was a presentation of Academy Award winning songs from motion pictures. On two prior occasions they gave a review of American musical comedy and a presentation of the songs of Noel Coward and Cole Porter.



Taylor Branch, author of a Pulitzer Prize winning book about the U.S. in the time of Martin Luther King, Jr., gave a recounting of his experience leading a voter registration drive in Georgia after passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965. His book is titled *Parting the Waters: America in the King Years, 1954-1963*. Branch is currently conducting research at the LBJ Library on the second volume. Dr. King, the subject of Branch's interest, is now represented at the Library in a bronze sculpture by Robert Berks (right.) The portrait was given to the Library by General Motors Corporation in honor of Dr. Leon H. Sullivan, a widely respected Civil Rights leader who served two decades as a director of G.M.



## Voting Patterns in U.S.

A symposium which the Library jointly sponsored with the LBJ School of Public Affairs, the Texas Young Lawyers Association and the Texas Bar Foundation pursued the subject of voting. Titled "Democracy in the 1990s: Voting in the United States," it examined the history of voting since the passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 and looked at the role of money, political parties and the press on campaigns.



Lloyd Lochridge, Richard Engstrom, Raul Gonzalez, Judith Haydel, and Renea Hicks



Ellen Miller



George Bayoud, Jr.



# Subject of Symposium



Chandler Davidson

## Symposium Participants:

**Lloyd Lochridge**, attorney, Austin  
**Richard L. Engstrom**, Professor of Political Science, University of New Orleans  
**Raul A. Gonzalez**, Justice of the Supreme Court of Texas  
**Judith Haydel**, Associate Professor of Government, McNeese State University  
**Renea Hicks**, Special Assistant Attorney General, Texas  
**Gabrielle McDonald**, Attorney, Austin  
**Laughlin McDonald**, Director, Southern Regional Office, ACLU, Atlanta  
**Dan Morales**, Attorney General Elect, Texas  
**Ronald E. Weber**, Professor of Government, University of Wisconsin

**Chandler Davidson**, Professor of Sociology, Rice University  
**George Bayoud, Jr.**, Texas Secretary of State  
**Richard Cloward**, Professor of Sociology, Columbia University  
**Thomas Ferguson**, Professor of Political Science, University of Massachusetts  
**Ellen Miller**, Center for Responsive Politics, Washington, D.C.  
**Frances Fox Piven**, Professor of Political Science, City University of New York  
**Martin J. Schram**, Syndicated Newspaper Columnist, Washington, D.C.  
**Philip Stern**, Author and co-chair, Citizens Against PACs, Washington, D.C.



Dan Morales



Richard Engstrom



Francis Fox Piven, Martin J. Schram, and Philip Stern



# LBJ and Lady Bird Saluted For Work on Behalf of Deaf



Mrs. Johnson accepted tributes to herself and President Johnson from Gilbert M. Grosvenor, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf, for their efforts on behalf of hearing-impaired people. The occasion was the celebration of the Association's centennial.

The ceremony highlighted six pieces of legislation designed to help the deaf which were proposed by LBJ and enacted during his administration.

A seminar for school teachers, administrators and libraries, sponsored by Abilene Christian University and the Robert A. Taft Institute of Government, was held at the Library. Participants travel and other expenses were underwritten by the Taft Institute, which describes its mission as "enhancing knowledge and understanding of the American principles of government, the two-party system, and the role of the individual in the political process." Speakers included Tom Phillips, Chief Justice of the Texas Supreme Court, and Wilhelmina Delco, Texas Representative.



Delco



Phillips

# Sculptures of Selma Burke



A major exhibition currently at the Library features the sculptures of Dr. Selma Burke, an 89-year old artist best known for her sculptured likeness of President Franklin D. Roosevelt which appears on the FDR dime.

Dr. Burke, who earned one doctoral degree and has been awarded eight honorary ones, has had her work exhibited in institutions around the world, and has been called "a legend of African-American culture."

Nineteen of her portraits, dating from 1932, are included in the exhibition, which is sponsored in conjunction with the Black Arts Alliance of Austin.





## on Display at the Library

The artist, who attended the opening of the exhibition, met with school students the following day. She recounted for them how she began modeling animals in clay at the age of seven.



A popular exhibit on the first floor of the Library's museum, is called "Family Album," and features photographs of the Johnson family through the years, including up-to-date pictures of the third generation of the presidential family—the Robb and Nugent children. The exhibit has recently been renovated, including wild-flower paper of the kind used at the LBJ Ranch, to give it more the look of a family home.

## Presidential Birthday Observed



Officiating at the LBJ birthday celebrations this year were granddaughter Nicole Nugent, at the LBJ Ranch (above), and Library Director Harry Middleton at the LBJ Grove in Washington (top). Visitors to the Library received the traditional birthday cake and punch (left).



# Research Grants Awarded to Twenty-Seven Scholars



Considering the applications for grants-in-aid are Charles Corkran, Assistant Library Director; Richard Schott, LBJ School; Bruce Buchanan, UT Government Department; Larry Reed, LBJ Foundation; Tina Houston, Library Supervisory Archivist; Lewis Gould, UT History Department; Library Director Harry Middleton, and Library Archivist David Humphrey.

Twenty-seven scholars were selected as the 1990-91 recipients of grants to study in the LBJ Library. The funds, totaling \$25,809, are made available by the LBJ Foundation by virtue of a grant from the Moody Foundation to help students, teachers, and writers use the Library's resources by providing support for travel and living expenses.

Those receiving grants-in-aid and the titles of their proposed projects are: John Adams, "Alvin Wirtz: Central Texas Power Broker"; Odin W. Anderson, "Wilbur J. Cohen as a Professional Social Reformer"; David M. Barrett, "The Johnson White House Vietnam Papers"; John P. Burke, "Coping with the Institutional Presidency"; Kalyn Butler, "Voice of Reason: Maxwell Taylor in Vietnam 1964-1965"; Kitty Calavita, "Administrative Discretion: An Analysis of the Immigration & Naturalization

Service"; Matthew J. Dickinson, "Changing the White House Staff: Goals & Implications, 1936-88"; Steven Dryden, "The Trade Warriors"; Lotte Feinberg, "Freedom of Information and Federal Information Policy"; Robert Gilbert, "Dividing Alaska: Statehood, Native Claims & Wilderness Preservation"; Piero Gleijeses, "The Dominican Crisis, Revised Edition"; Peter Hahn, "U.S. Policy Toward the Arab-Israeli Conflict, 1947-67"; Judith Klinghoffer, "Vietnam and American Middle Eastern Policy, 1965-1975"; Peter Kronenberger, "The Deployment of U.S. Ground Forces to South Vietnam"; Diane Kunz, "The Financial Diplomacy of the American Century"; Nelson Lichtenstein, "Walter Reuther, the UAW and the Politics of Labor-Liberalism in the 1960s"; Fredrik Logevall, "The Johnson Administration and Diplomacy in Vietnam, 1963-

68"; Kenneth O'Reilly, "The Presidency and the Politics of Race"; Julie Pycior, "Lyndon Johnson, Mexican Americans, and the American Saga"; Edward Rhodes, "The Johnson Navy"; Thomas Schwartz, "American Relations with Federal Republic of Germany, 1949-69"; Janann Sherman, "No Place For a Woman: The Life and Times of Margaret Chase Smith"; Edward Sewell, "Editorial Cartoons as Political Discourse"; Timothy Tompkins, "The LBJ/Terry Sanford Connection"; Carol Weisenberger, "Dollars and Dreams: The National Youth Administration in Texas, a Case Study"; James Wirtz, "Strong State Weak State Conflict: The Eruption of the Big Unit War"; and Thomas Zoumaras, "C. Douglas Dillon: The Philanthropic Cold Warrior."





Scheduled for December 15 is the Library's Christmas party for Head Start children in the Austin area. This will be the second in what is planned to be an annual event put on by the museum staff and the Library volunteers.



A scholarship endowment of \$530,000 was established by the Board of Regents of the University of Texas honoring Larry Temple, member of the Board of Directors of the LBJ Foundation.

Temple has had a major role in the development of higher education in the state of Texas through his chairmanship of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the Select Committee on Higher Education.

## IN MEMORIAM

**C. R. Smith**

Secretary of Commerce, Johnson Administration.

**Mary Rather**

Secretary of Lyndon Johnson for more than 30 years.

**Willie Day Taylor**

Staff associate of LBJ since 1948.

**Dorothy Nichols**

LBJ's first secretary, who met him when he taught school in Cotulla, Texas and went to Washington with him.

**Lawrence F. O'Brien**

Special Assistant to the President and Postmaster General during The Johnson Administration.

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