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IN MEMORY OF  
BONNIE C. GARDNER,  
1932-2003

## KPIC ON DISPLAY

All the way from the Netherlands, KPIC member Co Patist sent photos of his recent RFK exhibit. Items from his collection were displayed for the entire month of June in memory of Robert Kennedy and the 50th anniversary of Kennedy's death, at the library in his hometown of Emmen (approximately 120 miles—185km—north-northeast of Amsterdam).



The exhibition showed material from his time as Attorney General including a letter and photo of his visit to the Netherlands in February 1962. Robert Kennedy met with Queen Juliana in order to help settle the New Guinea crisis and our war with Indonesia. Also on display were items from his campaign and work as Senator from New York (letter, campaign material) and items from his 1968 campaign for the presidency.

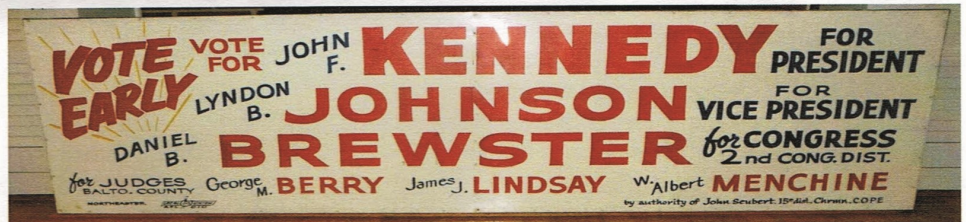


The center photo (February 25, 1962):

**"KENNEDYS MEET DUTCH QUEEN... U.S. Attorney General Robert Kennedy and his wife, Ethel, talk with Queen Juliana of the Netherlands at meeting in the Royal Palace at the Hague. The Kennedys, winding up a world tour, arrived by plane from Cologne, West Germany, for a one-day visit."**  
(API Wirephoto via radio from Amsterdam)

## MORE... What's YOUR Favorite Kennedy Item?

Al Kampmeyer sent us a photo of his favorite Kennedy item. This 6 foot x 2 foot sign came from 2' x 6' and comes from a local Baltimore 1960 Kennedy campaign office. It now hangs on a wall in his office.



The late Bonnie Gardner—one of the charter/founding members of KPIC—had always mentioned that she had many pieces in her collection that she *"liked a little more than others"*. But there were two that she called *"the top of the list"*. Those two were the 3-1/2" 'Give the Key to Kennedy' and 'Democracy for Jack Kennedy' *"Because they were such beautiful pins"*. She also liked the JFK football bobblehead because, well, *"JFK and Football"*

## KPIC at the APIC National Convention

The July 2018 APIC National Convention had collectors in attendance from all over the country—actually from around the world. The member who won the 'Distance Traveled' award was Peter Klages, who came all the way from Garching Bei Munchen (Munich), Germany. Peter has been a long-time Kennedy collector and member of KPIC and of APIC. He has at least three rooms in his home dedicated to display of his wonderful and varied JFK collection.

Springfield was his first National. Convention—in fact his first collectibles convention. He thoroughly enjoyed himself, along with his friend Peter Engles (also from Germany). Though Mr. Engles professed that he was 'not a collector', both Peters had acquired a large number of items that were going back home with them.

Peter loved the opportunity of meeting fellow Kennedy (and other) collectors in person whom he had only known through exchanged letters and emails. And everyone who met them thoroughly enjoyed their presence as well.



Peter Klages (center) meets Harvey Goldberg (L) & Chris Hearn (R) in person for the first time in Springfield.