Year Two of the Remembering Benzie Oral History Project is off to an amazing start! Student interns Leola Richard, Olivia Bailey, and Liam Jones are excited, energetic, enthusiastic and committed to doing an amazing job! They make a great team!

Last month the students wrapped up the Veteran’s History project with six interviews sent to the Library of Congress to be included in their national archive! The interviews from this year will be added to the Remembering Benzie YouTube Page throughout the next couple months, and a copy of the interview has been sent to each Veteran.

This month students will switch gears and go through in depth training for the next phase of the project: The Legacy Project. Students will interview local community members with deep ties to the county. Each student will interview a person recommended by the Benzie Area Historical Society, as well as a person of their choosing that fits in with the goals of the project.

The training session will be led by professionals from the University of Michigan School of Information and Michigan State University. During training students will learn how to write their own interview protocol, how to recruit and prepare for an interview, tips on shooting B roll, and how to properly conduct a virtual interview (just in case)! They will also have an opportunity to engage in a "practice" interview.

We are delighted to be working with this team of interns and looking forward to see what they produce throughout the project!

To be notified of new videos posted, please subscribe to the Remembering Benzie YouTube page and set up your account for notifications. Stay tuned for updates in future newsletters and at www.benzoniaibrary.org.

We thank you all for your continued support and excitement for this wonderful program!

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