

Remembering Benzie



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REMEMBERING BENZIE:

An Oral History Project

July 2021 Update

We are now wrapping up the Remembering Benzie Project! Remembering Benzie launched in September of 2019, thanks to a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). This 2 year grant allowed for Benzonia Public Library to hire student interns each year to collect local histories. Interviews would include community members that have made an impact in Benzie County, as well as local Veterans, whose stories were also shared with the Library of Congress Veteran's History Project.

The project did not come without challenges, the biggest of which was the COVID-19 pandemic. This put a halt to the Year 1 group that was in progress and changed everything for Year 2. But even with the challenges, the students persevered. They moved forward, altered plans, constantly shifted. We are incredibly proud of the way the students adjusted and found creative solutions. They worked hard and never even discussed the possibility of giving up.

Please visit our Remembering Benzie pages on our website

<https://www.benzonialibrary.org/remembering-benzie.html>.

Here you will find a complete timeline of the project as well as updates and all interviews.

We thank you all for your continued support and excitement for this wonderful program! Please subscribe to our Remembering Benzie YouTube page to watch past interviews recorded by our interns last year and click on notification settings to be notified as new videos are posted.

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.benzonialibrary.org

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