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Chelsea-area photographer Ralph Guenther took photos from the late 1950s-mid 2000s, and following his retirement, his family donated his collection of negatives to the library. Beginning November 17, selections from the Ralph Guenther Collection will be available to view online on Biblioboard.

Biblioboard is an online interface that allows users to view galleries of Guenther's photos from the comfort of their own homes. By creating a user profile, you can mark images as favorites and comment on images. CDL hopes that users will use this commenting feature to help identify the unknown subjects of images.

Join the library to mark the launch of this online photo collection and to celebrate the efforts of the volunteers who worked to scan and identify photos. On Thursday, November 17 from 7-8pm, enjoy light refreshments, get a quick tutorial on how to navigate Biblioboard, and explore the database yourself on provided laptops. To register, call 734-475-8732 ext. 503.

At launch, Biblioboard will feature over 1000 images from 1958-1961, but more years will be continually added. Photos include a wide variety of portraits, full sets of wedding photos, photos taken for Chelsea School Yearbooks, and much more! Browse collections, or enter names into the search box to find people you know.

To see more photos from the Ralph Guenther Collection, attend Place That Face, a program held from 12:30-2 on the second Wednesday of each month at the Chelsea Senior Center. At Place That Face, attendees see the latest digitized images from the Ralph Guenther Collection and work to identify the subjects of each photo.

Visit StoriesOfChelsea.org/Biblioboard to access the online collection, read a tutorial on how to use Biblioboard, and get updates of the latest added years.

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