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May 2, 1997

The Honorable Patrick A. Sweeney
Senator of the State of Ohio
State House
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Senator Sweeney:

Thank you for contacting President Clinton on behalf of the Columbus Quest. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

At this time, I am unable to make a commitment to your request for President Clinton to host a reception at the White House for the ABL World Champions. However, I will keep your correspondence on file for further consideration.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,



Stephanie S. Streett
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director of Scheduling

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TO:

Joe Eyer
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FROM:

BEVERLY STATEN
OFFICE OF SENATOR PATRICK A. SWEENEY
614/466-5123

(OH State Senate)

DATE:

March 31, 1997

RE:

Quest

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State House
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Senator Sweeney wanted to know if you could help arrange a White House visit and meeting w/the President.

To Pres S Keel
Fr: Joe Eyer

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* Barbara Boxer request

The Columbus Quest ABL World Champions



unQUESTionABLE excitement!

Inaugural American Basketball League Champions

- * Eastern Conference Champions
- * ABL Most Valuable Player, Nikki McCray
- * ABL Coach of the Year, Brian Agler
- * ABL Championship Finals MVP, Valerie Still
- * 3 ABL All-Stars, Nikki McCray, Katie Smith, Tonya Edwards
- * ABL's Top Regular Season record (31-9)
- * ABL's Top Offensive Team (86.1 ppg)
- * ABL's Top Defensive Team (73.4 ppg)

History has been made! Women playing professional basketball in the United States is no longer a dream, it's reality. The American Basketball League has set a new standard for women's basketball in this country. With attendance 20% higher league-wide than projected, the ABL's future is bright.

The ABL season was culminated by a boisterous sell-out crowd in Columbus' Battelle Hall, as the Columbus Quest defeated the Richmond Rage 77-64 in the fifth and deciding game of the inaugural ABL Finals.

An ABL record 11-game winning streak to open the season served notice to the ABL that the Quest would be a force to deal with. The undersized Quest team fought through adversity all season long, continuing to climb the mountain of success, culminating in the first-ever ABL Championship.

Not many expected the Quest team to put together the season they did. Columbus pulled off a clean sweep in the ABL standings and statistics.

Columbus finished with the best record in the ABL at 31-9, including league-best records at home (19-1) and on the road (12-8). The Quest led the league in both scoring offense and scoring defense, scoring 86.1 points per game while giving up 73.4 points per game.

The mark of the Quest team was its athleticism, quickness, and above all...teamwork. The Quest displayed a very physical defense, one designed to force turnovers. The Quest led the league in turnover margin (-5.25 per game).

Playing off its defense, Columbus displays a very explosive offense that could score in a hurry. Columbus pushed the ball whenever they could and had the athletes who could both start and finish plays.

It was evident right away that this Columbus team was on a Quest of their own. The undersized team ripped-off 11 straight wins to open the season (the 11-game winning streak is an ABL record). After losing its first game of the season on Nov. 21, The Quest continued its winning ways, triumphant in 18 of its first 19 games.

The Quest's fantastic start enabled the team to clinch very early. The team clinched the inaugural Eastern Conference Championship on Jan. 19 with a resounding 107-64 win at Atlanta (at the time a new ABL record for victory margin, +43).

Two games later on Jan. 28, the Quest clinched home-court advantage throughout the playoffs with a 104-60 win over Seattle, setting a new ABL record for margin of victory (still an ABL record).

In addition, the Quest also led the ABL in Three Point Shooting Percentage (.398, 303 of 761), was tied for 1st in Free Throw Percentage (.774, 796 of 994), 2nd in Rebounding Margin (3.1 per game), and 3rd in Field Goal Percentage (.451, 1,186 of 2,631).

All in all, it was a dream season for the Columbus Quest and the American Basketball League. Little girls dream too... little girls now have big girls to look up to! The founding players of the ABL have set the table for the future a brighter future in women's basketball.



ABL TEAM STATISTICS

(through end of regular season-Feb. 20, 1997)

Scoring Leaders (based on .667 of team games played)

No.	Player, Team	G	FG	3P	FT	Pts	Avg
1.	Carolyn Jones, NE	40	287	58	215	847	21.2
2.	Teresa Edwards, ATL	40	291	99	161	842	21.1
3.	Nikki McCray, COLUM	40	300	33	164	797	19.9
4.	Cindy Brown, SEA	38	211	43	200	665	17.5
5.	Natalie Williams, POR	32	215	0	125	555	17.3
	Adrienne Goodson, RIC	40	250	7	183	690	17.3
7.	Crystal Robinson, COLO	40	236	90	122	684	17.1
8.	Katie Smith, COLUM	40	214	91	112	631	15.8
9.	Charlotte Smith, COLO	40	208	28	182	626	15.6
	Tonya Edwards, COLUM	40	203	73	145	624	15.6

Blocked Shot Leaders

No.	Player, Team	G	Blks	Avg
1.	Taj McWilliams, RIC	40	58	1.5
2.	Val Whiting, SJ	37	50	1.4
3.	Stacey Lovelace, ATL	39	52	1.3
	Natalie Williams, POR	32	41	1.3
5.	Sheila Frost, POR	34	37	1.1
6.	Cindy Brown, SEA	38	32	0.8
	Sylvia Crawley, COLO	40	31	0.8
8.	Linda Godby, SEA	40	29	0.7
9.	Karen Deden, NE	40	25	0.6
	Crystal Robinson, COLO	40	25	0.6

Rebound Leaders

No.	Player, Team	G	OR	DR	Tot	Avg
1.	Natalie Williams, POR	32	150	250	400	12.5
2.	Taj McWilliams, RIC	40	119	221	340	8.5
3.	Cindy Brown, SEA	38	108	208	316	8.3
4.	Shanda Berry, NE	39	113	205	318	8.2
5.	Tari Phillips, SEA	40	100	193	296	7.4
6.	Adrienne Goodson, RIC	40	116	175	291	7.3
7.	Teresa Edwards, ATL	40	39	227	266	6.7
8.	Crystal Robinson, COLO	40	93	170	263	6.6
9.	Val Whiting, SJ	37	85	155	239	6.5
	Charlotte Smith, COLO	40	109	150	259	6.5

FG Pct. Leaders (Min 125 FGA)

No.	Player, Team	FG	FGA	Pct
1.	Missy Masley, ATL	101	172	.587
2.	Dana Johnson, NE	111	204	.544
3.	Taj McWilliams, RIC	203	376	.540
4.	Shanda Berry, NE	224	417	.537
5.	Stacey Lovelace, ATL	196	368	.533
6.	Natalie Williams, POR	215	412	.522
7.	Stacey Ford, POR	173	332	.521
8.	Cindy Brown, SEA	211	408	.517
	Shannon Johnson, COLUM	140	271	.517
10.	Anita Kaplan, SJ	174	346	.503

Assist Leaders (based on .667 of team games played)

No.	Player, Team	G	Tot	Avg
1.	Dawn Staley, RIC	40	320	8.0
2.	Debbie Black, COLO	40	275	6.9
3.	Niesa Johnson, ATL	39	247	6.3
	Teresa Edwards, ATL	40	252	6.3
5.	Jennifer Rizzotti, NE	40	231	5.8
6.	Kate Paye, SEA	40	174	4.3
7.	Shannon Johnson, COLUM	40	151	3.8
8.	Carolyn Jones, NE	40	129	3.2
	Christy Hedgpeth, SEA	27	86	3.2
10.	Sonja Henning, SJ	40	126	3.1

3 Pt Pct. Leaders (Min. 60 3PA)

No.	Player, Team	3P	3PA	Pct
1.	Shannon Johnson, COLUM	69	144	.479
2.	Crystal Robinson, COLO	90	208	.433
3.	Katie Smith, COLUM	91	218	.417
	Carolyn Jones, NE	58	139	.417
5.	Clarissa Davis-Wrightsil, NE	36	87	.414
6.	Molly Goodenbour, RIC	65	158	.411
7.	Cindy Brown, SEA	43	106	.406
8.	Angela Aycock, SEA	40	99	.404
9.	Edna Campbell, COLO	50	124	.403
10.	Niesa Johnson, ATL	78	200	.390

Steal Leaders

No.	Player, Team	G	Tot	Avg
1.	Debbie Black, COLO	40	177	4.4
2.	Dawn Staley, RIC	40	111	2.8
3.	Cindy Brown, SEA	38	100	2.6
4.	Niesa Johnson, ATL	39	91	2.3
	Teresa Edwards, ATL	40	93	2.3
	Sonja Henning, SJ	40	90	2.3
7.	Jennifer Rizzotti, NE	40	68	2.2
8.	Sonja Tate, COLUM	40	65	2.1
	Val Whiting, SJ	37	77	2.1
	Marta deSouza Sobral, RIC	40	83	2.1
	Taj McWilliams, RIC	40	83	2.1

Free Throw Pct. Leaders (Min. 70 FTA)

No.	Player, Team	FT	FTA	Pct
1.	Niesa Johnson, ATL	82	94	.872
2.	Carolyn Jones, NE	215	249	.863
3.	Crystal Robinson, COLO	122	142	.859
4.	Teresa Edwards, ATL	161	189	.852
5.	Christy Hedgpeth, SEA	71	85	.835
6.	Dawn Staley, RIC	183	220	.832
7.	Kate Paye, SEA	108	131	.824
	Katie Smith, COLUM	112	136	.824
9.	Shannon Johnson, COLUM	60	74	.811
10.	Trisha Stafford, SJ	148	183	.809



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(through end of regular season-Feb. 20, 1997)

Scoring Offense

No.	Team	G	Pts	Avg
1.	Columbus Quest	40	3444	86.1
2.	Atlanta Glory	40	3257	81.4
3.	New England Blizzard	40	3250	81.3
4.	Richmond Rage	40	3193	79.8
5.	Colorado Xplosion	40	3086	77.2
6.	Seattle Reign	40	3059	76.5
7.	San Jose Lasers	40	2920	73.0
8.	Portland Power	40	2827	70.7

Field Goal Percentage

No.	Team	FG	FGA	Pct
1.	New England Blizzard	1182	2489	.475
2.	Atlanta Glory	1189	2636	.451
	Columbus Quest	1186	2629	.451
4.	Richmond Rage	1129	2589	.436
5.	Colorado Xplosion	1108	2580	.429
	Seattle Reign	1045	2438	.429
7.	Portland Power	1038	2443	.425
8.	San Jose Lasers	1024	2441	.420

Three Point Shooting Percentage

No.	Team	3P	3PA	Pct.
1.	Columbus Quest	303	761	.398
2.	New England Blizzard	182	480	.379
3.	Atlanta Glory	220	611	.360
	Seattle Reign	213	592	.360
5.	Colorado Xplosion	250	714	.350
	Richmond Rage	219	626	.350
7.	San Jose Lasers	143	459	.312
8.	Portland Power	124	463	.268

Free Throw Percentage

No.	Team	FT	FTA	Pct
1.	Atlanta Glory	659	851	.774
	Columbus Quest	769	994	.774
3.	Colorado Xplosion	620	802	.773
4.	New England Blizzard	704	912	.772
5.	Richmond Rage	716	961	.745
6.	Portland Power	627	863	.727
7.	San Jose Lasers	729	1008	.723
	Seattle Reign	756	1046	.723

KEY:

ATL—Atlanta Glory; COLO—Colorado Xplosion; COLU—Columbus Quest; NE—New England Blizzard; POR—Portland Power; RIC—Richmond Rage; SJ—San Jose Lasers; SEA—Seattle Reign

Scoring Margin

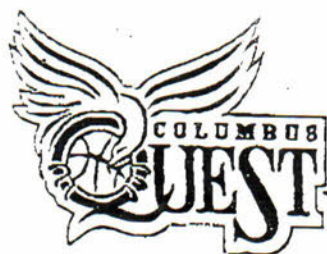
No.	Team	Team Pts-Avg.	Opp. Pts-Avg	Margin
1.	Columbus Quest	3444-86.1	2936-73.4	12.7
2.	Colo. Xplosion	3086-77.2	2964-74.1	3.1
3.	NE Blizzard	3250-81.3	3304-78.6	-1.3
4.	Richmond Rage	3193-79.8	3256-81.4	-1.6
5.	San Jose Lasers	2920-73.0	2990-74.8	-1.8
6.	Seattle Reign	3059-76.5	3198-80.0	-3.5
	Portland Power	2827-70.7	2968-74.2	-3.5
8.	Atlanta Glory	3257-81.4	3420-85.5	-4.1

Season Highs (Individual)

Points—42, Teresa Edwards, ATL vs. Seattle, 1/12/97
 41, Teresa Edwards, ATL vs. San Jose, 12/10/96
 38, Carolyn Jones, NE vs. Seattle, 2/15/97
 37, by three players
 Rebounds—22, Natalie Williams, POR vs. Atlanta, 1/9/97
 21, Natalie Williams, POR vs. Atlanta, 10/19/96
 21, Natalie Williams, POR vs. Richmond, 1/2/97
 Off. Reb.—10, Adrienne Goodson, RIC vs. Atlanta, 2/8/97
 Def. Reb.—14, Natalie Williams, POR vs. SJ, 11/23/96
 14, Natalie Williams, POR vs. Atlanta, 1/9/97
 Field Goals—17, Teresa Edwards, ATL vs. Seattle, 1/12/97
 FGA—29, Nikki McCray, COLUM vs. San Jose, 2OT, 2/17/97
 3-PT—8, Shannon Johnson, COLUM vs. Richmond, 10/19/96
 3PA—15, Niesa Johnson, ATL vs. Richmond, 2/11/97 (5-15)
 FT—17, Carolyn Jones, NE vs. Seattle, 2/15/97 (17-17)
 FTA—19, Valerie Still, COLUM vs. Atlanta, 1/30/97 (15-19)
 Assists—14, Dawn Staley, RIC vs. New England, 11/17/96
 14, Dawn Staley, RIC vs. Seattle, 1/24/97
 14, Teresa Edwards, ATL vs. Seattle, 1/25/97
 14, Dawn Staley, RIC vs. Atlanta, 2/11/97
 Steals—13, Debbie Black, COLO vs. Atlanta, 12/12/96
 Blocks—8, Taj McWilliams, RIC vs. Atlanta, 2/18/97
 Turnovers—13, Nikki McCray, COLUM vs. N.E. 1/4/97
 Minutes—52, Dawn Staley, RIC vs. Colorado, 3OT, 11/1/96

Season Highs (Team)

Points—116, Richmond vs. Colo. (113), 3OT, 11/1/96 (OT)
 107, Columbus vs. Atlanta (64), 1/19/97 (regulation)
 Rebounds—58, Columbus vs. San Jose, 2/17/97
 Off. Reb.—26, Portland vs. San Jose, 11/14/96
 Def. Reb.—38, by two teams
 FG—44, Richmond vs. Atlanta, 2/11/97 (44-86)
 FGA—86, Richmond vs. Atlanta, 2/11/97 (44-86)
 3P—15, Richmond vs. New England, 11/17/96 (15-23)
 3PA—36, Columbus vs. Seattle, 11/21/96 (10-36)
 FT—36, Columbus vs. New England, 12/10/96 (36-46)
 FTA—46, Columbus vs. New England, 12/10/96 (36-46)
 Assists—30, Colorado vs. Richmond, 12/10/96
 Steals—21, Richmond vs. New England, 10/18/96
 21, Columbus vs. Seattle, 1/28/97
 Blocks—11, San Jose vs. Columbus, 12/27/96
 Turnovers—33, twice by Atlanta (12/18/96 & 1/15/97)



Columbus Quest

Overall: 31-9 (.775) Playoffs: 5-2 (.714)
 vs. Eastern Conference: 18-6
 vs. Western Conference: 13-3
 Home: 19-1
 Away: 12-8

1996-97 Cumulative Statistics

NAME	G-GS	MIN	FG	PCT	3FG	PCT	FT	PCT	OFF-DEF	REB	AVG	PF-D	A	TO	BK	ST	PTS	AVG
Nikki McCray	40-40	1324-33.1	300-664	.452	33-91	.363	164-210	.781	77-124	201	5.0	70-1	106	159	2	69	797	19.9
Katie Smith	40-40	1328-33.2	214-459	.466	93-216	.417	112-136	.824	48-86	134	3.4	133-3	102	69	5	60	631	15.8
Tonya Edwards	40-40	1136-28.4	203-507	.400	73-202	.361	145-191	.759	36-92	128	3.2	116-1	108	103	12	72	624	15.6
Shannon Johnson	40-40	1275-31.9	140-271	.517	69-144	.479	60-74	.811	40-117	157	3.9	121-1	151	104	6	69	409	10.2
Valerie Still	40-5	753-18.8	105-212	.495	2-11	.182	91-124	.734	102-114	216	5.4	112-1	50	64	16	60	303	7.6
Sonja Tate	40-0	876-21.9	86-201	.428	9-32	.281	74-111	.667	101-118	219	5.5	120-2	94	84	3	85	255	6.4
Andrea Lloyd	36-36	841-23.4	96-192	.500	22-50	.440	35-49	.714	63-110	173	4.8	64-0	83	61	13	55	249	6.9
Cass Bauer	31-0	188-6.1	21-57	.368	1-3	.333	40-43	.930	17-20	37	1.2	33-0	5	14	0	4	83	2.7
Carol Ann Shudlick	36-0	225-6.3	14-45	.311	2-3	.667	38-44	.864	11-18	29	0.8	53-0	8	27	0	9	68	1.9
La'Shawn Brown	18-0	90-5.0	5-14	.357	0-0	.000	8-10	.800	4-22	26	1.4	27-0	1	10	3	3	18	1.0
Shanele Stires	9-0	40-4.4	2-9	.222	1-7	.143	2-2	1.00	3-5	8	0.9	4-0	2	2	0	3	7	0.8
Team									99-107	206				4				
Columbus Totals	40	8075	1186-2631	.451	303-761	.398	769-994	.774	601-933	1534	38.4	853-9	710	701	60	459	3444	86.1
Opponent Totals	40	8075	1020-2236	.456	195-557	.350	701-939	.747	439-972	1411	35.3	843-X	603	911	122	343	2936	73.4

Scoring by Quarters:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT1	OT2	TOTAL
Opponent	644	729	662	875	14	12	2936
Columbus	809	851	840	918	16	10	3444

Schedule Results (31-9 regular season, 5-2 playoffs)

10/19	Richmond	W	101-76	1/9	Seattle	W	100-95
10/22	San Jose	W	84-79	1/11	Richmond	W	96-66
10/29	Colorado	W	76-61	1/13	@ Richmond	L	99-89
11/1	@ Atlanta	W	84-72	1/15	Atlanta	W	96-76
11/3	Atlanta	W	99-62	1/16	@ New England	L	75-73
11/7	@ New England	W	72-64	1/19	@ Atlanta	W	107-64
11/10	Richmond	W	73-64	1/22	San Jose	W	93-66
11/12	Portland	W	72-64	1/28	Seattle	W	104-60
11/14	New England	W	97-70	1/30	Atlanta	L	97-77
11/16	@ Colorado	W	90-79	2/1	Portland	W	82-67
11/17	@ Portland	W	85-78	2/4	@ Richmond	L	82-77
11/21	@ Seattle	L	84-74	2/6	Richmond	W	87-85
11/23	@ New England	W	77-72	2/8	New England	W	91-78
11/25	Seattle	W	93-70	2/16	@ Colorado	W-OT	84-82
11/28	@ Richmond	W	65-64	2/17	@ San Jose	L-2OT	78-76
12/3	@ New England	W	81-62	2/19	@ Atlanta	L	87-85
12/10	New England	W	106-73	2/23	@ San Jose	W	94-69
12/18	Atlanta	W	81-64	2/25	San Jose	W	81-69
12/19	@ Atlanta	W	97-70	3/2	Richmond	W	90-89
12/21	@ Richmond	L	80-79	3/4	Richmond	L	75-62
12/27	@ San Jose	L	61-60	3/8	@ Richmond	L	72-67
12/30	@ Portland	W	89-74	3/9	@ Richmond	W	95-84
1/2	Colorado	W	98-62	3/11	Richmond	W	77-64
1/4	New England	W	94-74				

STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

The ABL drew an average of 4,163 during a 29-game span in February, nearly nearly 39% above projections.

ABL MVP Nikki McCray was 0-13 in the five-game ABL Finals.

The Richmond Rage hit 34-35 (.971) free throws in Game 1 of the ABL Finals.

Debbie Black registered the ABL's first "quadruple-double" on Dec. 8, 48 days after the season began.

The NBA has had four "quad-doubles" in its 50-year history, the first coming its 28th season.

Ten ABL players missed a portion (2) or the remainder (8) of the season due to knee injuries.

Seventeen percent of ABL fans are from 17-24 years of age.

At season's end, Stanford and Tennessee each have nine players on ABL rosters, tops in the college ranks.

Portland's Jennifer Jacoby had made only one of four three-point attempts during the season before winning the Lady Foot Locker Three-Point Shootout at the All-Star Game.

Twenty-four percent of ABL attendees have a graduate or professional degree.

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IN CASE YOU DIDN'T KNOW...

Only one non-starter (Andrea Lloyd) scored in Game 5 of the ABL Finals. All five Columbus starters scored in double figures, while four Richmond starters scored in double-figures and the fifth, Molly Goodenbour, didn't score nor did the Rage bench. Columbus' Katie Smith was 18-19 from the free throw line in the five-game series, including 14-14 in Games 1-4. Her teammate, Valerie Still of the Quest scored six points in each of the first two Finals games, but finished the series (Games 3-5) scoring 19.3 ppg and grabbing 12 rpg. Her Rage counterpart, Taj McWilliams, averaged 19.8 points and 12.2 rebounds throughout the series, but was less effective in Games 4 & 5. Portland's Natalie Williams registered 22 "double-doubles" in 32 games this season (missed eight games with knee injury). The ABL scoring title came down to the final night of the regular season as New England's Carolyn Jones needed 23 points to oust Atlanta's Teresa Edwards. She scored 27 to claim the scoring crown, 21.2 to 21.1. Trivia buffs beware: Adrienne Goodson of Richmond scored the ABL's first points on Oct. 18 during Richmond's first possession. Incidentally, Marta Sobral had won the first tip over Davis-Wrightsil. Rehema Stephens of the Rage canned the ABL's first trey. Despite all the firsts, New England still won the game, 100-73.

WHAT LIES AHEAD — THE ABL'S SECOND SEASON

With the inaugural season in the record books, attention now turns to the ABL's second season, the 1997-98 campaign. The league is looking to expand from eight to 10 teams next season, with the caveat that suitable markets are located. Similar to last season, there will be a player evaluation process, but unlike the 570-player tryout in Atlanta last May/June, this year's will be an invitation-only Player Combine from April 24-27, 1997, at the University of San Francisco's Koret Center. Those invited include but are not limited to top graduating seniors, players from overseas, and replacement players who participated in the 1996-97 season. Following the Combine, the ABL Draft will take place May 5 via conference call to each team city. Rosters will be expanding to 11 players next year, giving teams more flexibility if a player is injured, and if expansion takes place, the schedule will increase by a minimum of four games (from 40 to 44, including 20 home games to 22). Negotiations are taking place to resign for next season current ABL players, top graduating seniors and other players.

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ABL CHAMPIONS



SEMI-FINAL RESULTS

Sunday, February 23 Attendance
at Richmond 80, Colorado 774,118
Columbus 94, at San Jose 693,018
Tuesday, February 25
Richmond 82, at Colorado 664,144
at Columbus 81, San Jose 693,327
Columbus won series, 2-0
Richmond won series, 2-0

CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

Sunday, March 2 — Game 1
@Columbus 90, Richmond 894,152
Tuesday, March 4 — Game 2
Richmond 75, @Columbus 623,632
Saturday, March 8 — Game 3
@Richmond 72, Columbus 676,879
Sunday, March 9 — Game 4
Columbus 95, @Richmond 844,628
Tuesday, March 11 — Game 5
@Columbus 77, Richmond 646,313
Columbus won series, 3-2

Columbus—5-2 in playoffs
Richmond—4-3 in playoffs
Colorado—0-2 in playoffs
San Jose—0-2 in playoffs

PLAYOFF ATTENDANCE

Team	G	Total	Avg.
Richmond	3	15,625	5,208
Columbus	4	17,424	4,381
Colorado	1	4,144	4,144
San Jose	1	3,018	3,018
Total	9	40,211	4,468

80-77 and 82-66, to set up an all-Eastern Conference ABL Championship Series.

AND THEN THERE WERE TWO...THE ABL FINALS

The best-of-five ABL Championship Finals was expected to be a fantastic series. Columbus defeated Richmond in five of the team's eight meetings, with the three Rage wins coming in Richmond. The two teams began the series by splitting games in Columbus; the Quest taking Game 1, 90-89, and the Rage Game 2, 75-62. In Richmond, Game 3 went to Richmond, 72-64, and the series momentum began to swing towards the Rage, which had a chance to clinch the title in Game 4. But Columbus, with a flair for the dramatic, came ready to play Game 4, winning 95-84 and forcing a decisive Game 5 back in Columbus where the Quest finished the regular season 19-1 and were 2-1 during the playoffs. In front of a sellout crowd of 6,313 at Battelle Hall, the Quest took early control of Game 5 and clinched the title with a 77-64 victory.

Championship Series Recap

Sunday, March 2 — Game 1

@ Columbus 90, Richmond 89

Nikki McCray's basket with 39.7 seconds remaining gave the Quest a 1-0 series lead. Tonya Edwards scored 26 points, including 21 from beyond the three-point arc, while Richmond hit 34-of-35 from the line to keep the game close.

Tuesday, March 4 — Game 2

Richmond 75, @ Columbus 62

Richmond evened the series at 1-1 as Taj McWilliams scored 21 points and pulled down 17 rebounds to shift momentum in the series. ABL MVP Nikki McCray led the Quest with 16 points.

Saturday, March 8 — Game 3

@ Richmond 72, Columbus 67

The Rage took a 2-1 series lead after surviving a torrid Quest comeback. McWilliams led the Rage with 20 points. Valerie Still scored 23 for Columbus.

Sunday, March 9 — Game 4

Columbus 95, @ Richmond 84

With backs to the wall, Columbus tied the series at 2-2 as all five starters scored in double figures, led by Katie Smith with 25.

Tuesday, March 11 — Game 5

@ Columbus 77, Richmond 64

In Columbus, the Quest took control early and never surrendered en route to the first-ever ABL World Championship. Tonya Edwards scored a game-high 23 points. Still was named the Series MVP and received a Nissan Altima after averaging 14 points and eight rebounds in the series, and more importantly, neutralizing McWilliams in Games 4 & 5.

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Among the All-Star Game's 22-player roster were eight Olympians, eight national players of the year, and five NCAA Final Four MVPs.

into a first-place tie at the All-Star Break. San Jose and Seattle were neck-and-neck down the stretch for second-place before San Jose's double-overtime win over Columbus on February 17 (combined with Portland's win over Seattle). Portland suffered a nearly identical setback to New England, as center Natalie Williams tore the meniscus in her right knee.

Portland went 1-7 during her absence. Greg Bruce resigned as coach on Dec. 31 after a 5-17 start and former Purdue head coach Lin Dunn took over. Dunn and the Power finished the 1997 campaign 9-9 and 14-26 overall.

THE ABL ALL-STAR GAME — DECEMBER 15, 1996

The Inaugural ABL All-Star Game was held Sunday, December 15, 1996, at the Hartford (Conn.) Civic Center. Selected through a combination of balloting by fans, ABL coaches and general managers, and league management, the ABL's top players were given an opportunity to showcase their talents in front of 6,387 fans and a nationally-televised audience on SportsChannel and its Prime/Fox affiliates. The West squad used a 15-0 fourth-quarter run to down the East, 81-65. Nissan, the presenting sponsor, awarded the Game's MVP—Seattle's Tari Phillips, who scored 18 points and had 11 rebounds—a Nissan Pathfinder. Nikki McCray of the Quest scored a game-high 20 points for the East while Portland's Natalie Williams scored 16 points and had 15 rebounds for the West. In the Lady Foot Locker Three-Point Shooting Contest, Portland's Jennifer Jacoby took home a \$5,000 check after netting 15 of 25 possible points at halftime of the All-Star Game. In the Finals, Jacoby defeated New England's Davis Wrightsil (14 points) and Columbus' Shannon Johnson and Katie Smith (13 each). Incidentally, Jacoby only made one of her four three-point attempts during the first-half of the season. She was chosen by the team to participate as no Portland player was among the top eight three-point shooters at the time of selection. Asked how she felt shooting under pressure: "I was a little nervous. When you're shooting for \$5,000, that can happen."

AND THEN THERE WERE FOUR...

The ABL Playoffs began February 23 with two semi-final play-off series. One pitted the Columbus Quest, champion of the Eastern Conference against San Jose, the Western Conference's second-place team, while the other semi-final featured Western Conference champ Colorado Xplosion and the Richmond Rage, the East's second-place finisher. Both series ended quickly, with Columbus defeating the Lasers in two games, 94-69 and 81-69, and Richmond sweeping Colorado,





TOP 12 CROWDS

11,873	San Jose at N.E.	1/25
10,477	Columbus at N.E.	11/23
8,848	Port. at Colorado	1/19
8,767	Richmond at N.E.	10/18
8,704	Atlanta at Portland	10/19
7,145	Columbus at Colo.	2/16
6,894	Seattle at N.E.	2/15
6,879	Colum. at Richmond	3/8*
6,815	Colorado at N.E.	10/25
6,313	Rich. at Columbus	3/11*
6,138	SJ at Richmond	10/25
6,123	Atlanta at Richmond	2/8

*ABL Championship Series



FOUNDING SPONSOR

Lady Foot Locker.



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Despite the demographic, statistical differences, there are common traits among these fans: ABL fans are boisterous and enthusiastic. ABL fans are knowledgeable about the game of basketball. And ABL fans remain steadfast in their seats until the final buzzer, whether the game is decided by two points or 20.

New England topped the team attendance chart, averaging 5,008 fans per outing. The Blizzard also hosted five of the league's top nine crowds, including a record-11,873 vs. San Jose on January 25, and 10,477 vs. Columbus on Nov. 23.

IF YOU BUILD IT, THEY WILL SPONSOR

The founders of the ABL knew it couldn't be done alone. The gargantuan task of realizing their dream of a women's professional league in the U.S. needed corporate support.

Coming to their aid, the major sponsors of the league—Reebok, Lady Foot Locker, Nissan, and Phoenix Home Life Insurance Company—offered their support as well as their services to the ABL. Working overtime, these four sponsors are committed to make the ABL a success in every possible way.

Reebok, a long-time champion of women's sports, became the league's Founding Sponsor, joining forces with the ABL in June, 1996. Reebok outfits four of the eight ABL teams (Atlanta, Colorado, New England and San Jose) and provided the ABL All-Stars with warm-ups and uniforms.

"As a founding sponsor of the ABL, Reebok is excited about the success of the league and is looking forward to working with the ABL in growing women's basketball. As a pioneer of the women's sports movement, Reebok is committed to providing opportunities for women and a league that provides role models for young girls."

—Jo Harlow
Vice President of U.S.
Marketing for Reebok

The ABL applauds its national sponsors, who have helped make the league a reality.

THE INAUGURAL SEASON

Every person who witnessed an ABL game during this past season simply saw the best women's basketball in the world. Playing at a torrid pace with elbow-catching toughness, the league's players made America realize what it had been missing by not having a women's circuit in the U.S. Each team, like all other competitive teams, entered the season with the hopes of making history and staking claim to the first-ever ABL.

March 20, 1997



ATLANTA GLORY



COLORADO XPLOSION



COLUMBUS QUEST



NEW ENGLAND BLIZZARD



PORTLAND POWER



RICHMOND RAGE



SAN JOSE LASERS



SEATTLE REIGN



AMERICAN BASKETBALL LEAGUE INAUGURAL SEASON WRAP-UP

"LITTLE GIRLS NEED BIG GIRLS TO LOOK UP TO"

The American Basketball League, launched in September 1995, accomplished what it set out to do: establish the world's premier women's basketball league and give America's best players an opportunity to play professionally in their own country. Icons of the women's game—Teresa Edwards, Jennifer Azzi, Dawn Staley, Nikki McCray, Debbie Black—could finally stay home and play the game each has honed for years in front of family, friends, one another, and *against* one another.

Playing in relative obscurity in European, Asian, Middle Eastern and South American leagues, these female athletes and hundreds like them can now pursue their dreams, while providing exciting entertainment for basketball fans across this country.

Thanks to the ABL, "little girls have big girls to look up to," "big girls" who accept that they are role models to all young girls and boys on every playground court and YMCA in America.

IF YOU BUILD IT, THEY WILL COME

On the ABL's Opening Night, skeptics and supporters looked on with the same baited breath: Would this upstart ABL actually tipoff and become a reality?

The answer was not far behind. Three teams sold-out their opening night games (Atlanta, San Jose and Seattle) and New England and Portland each drew over 8,700 for their openers. Throughout the year, attendance ran nearly 20 percent above the pre-season projection 3,000 fans per game. In fact, attendance surged in the second half of the season, exhibiting fan approval and an increase of new fans. In February, over a span of 29 games, the league-wide average rose to nearly 4,200 per game. By the conclusion of the 160-game regular season, the league averaged 3,536 fans per game (see chart)

So who was coming to these games? According to ABL arena marketing surveys, the typical ABL fan is a young, well-educated, upscale woman. Leaguewide, approximately two-thirds of ABL fans are women, while 58 percent overall are between the ages of 25-44. Eighty-five percent have at least a technical or associate degree, including 24 percent with a graduate or professional degree. Twenty-four percent earn \$75,000 or more in annual salary, while 51 percent bring home \$45,000 or more per year.

ABL Post-Season Awards**First-Team All-ABL**

Guards—Teresa Edwards, Atlanta;
Dawn Staley, Richmond;
Forwards—Nikki McCray, Columbus;
Adrienne Goodson, Richmond;
Center—Natalie Williams, Portland

Second-Team All-ABL

Guards—Debbie Black, Colorado;
Carolyn Jones, New England;
Forwards—Cindy Brown, Seattle,
Crystal Robinson, Colorado;
Center—Taj McWilliams, Richmond

Most Valuable Player

Nikki McCray, Columbus

MVP Voting

Player (first-place votes)	Points
Nikki McCray, Columbus (13)	86
Teresa Edwards, Atlanta (10)	69
Dawn Staley, Richmond (3)	40
Natalie Williams, Portland (2)	21
Carolyn Jones, New England	17
Crystal Robinson, Colorado (1)	16
Cindy Brown, Seattle (1)	14
Adrienne Goodson, Richmond (1)	10
Debbie Black, Colorado (1)	7
Sheri Sam, San Jose	3
Taj McWilliams, Richmond	2
Charlotte Smith, Colorado	1

ABL Coach of the Year

Brian Agler, Columbus

Defensive Player of the Year

Debbie Black, Colorado

New Pro Award (first-year pro)

Crystal Robinson, Colorado

Championship trophy. The Columbus Quest fulfilled that dream and lived up to its name, conquering every opponent during the regular season at least twice. Two teams—Colorado and Portland—failed to defeat Columbus, as the Quest finished the regular season with a league-best 31-9 record and were 5-2 in the playoffs en route to the ABL title. The ABL season featured 70 games decided by three points or less and five overtime games, including one triple and one double, while the biggest margin of victory was 44 points. Home court advantage was alive and well in the ABL as the home team won 108 of 160 games (.675)

Eastern Conference: The Quest dominated from the start, winning its first 11 games (the longest winning streak in the league) and 18 of 19 before the All-Star Break in mid-December. The Quest clinched the Eastern Conference title on Jan. 19, with a 43-point win over the Atlanta Glory. The Richmond Rage, winners of nine of its last 14 games in the regular season, earned a playoff berth with its second-place finish. The Rage twice defeated Atlanta over the final two weeks of the season to stave off a late Atlanta run (seven wins over its final 11 games). The New England Blizzard finished strong with a five-game win streak but could not recover from key injuries in the early going, namely Clarissa Davis Wrightsil. The Blizzard went on an eight-game slide while she healed from a meniscus tear in her right knee.

Western Conference: The Western Conference race was the complete reversal of the East. The San Jose Lasers and Seattle Reign were the frontrunners early, but the Colorado Xplosion finished the season by winning 21 of its final 27 games (including a perfect 8-0 December) and claimed the Western Conference title. The Xplosion had started the season 4-9 and lost its first seven road games before pulling

ABL STANDINGS

(through end of regular season, Feb. 20)

Eastern Conference

	W	L	PCT	GB	Home	Away	Streak	East	West
x-Columbus Quest	31	9	.775	—	19-1	12-8	L2	18-6	13-3
y-Richmond Rage	21	19	.525	10.0	16-4	5-15	L2	12-12	9-7
Atlanta Glory	18	22	.450	13.0	12-8	6-14	W3	10-14	8-8
New England Blizzard	16	24	.400	15.0	11-9	5-15	W5	8-16	8-8

Western Conference

x-Colorado Xplosion	25	15	.625	—	16-4	9-11	L1	7-9	18-6
y-San Jose Lasers	18	22	.450	7.0	11-9	7-13	L2	9-7	9-15
Seattle Reign	17	23	.425	8.0	13-7	4-16	W1	7-9	10-14
Portland Power	14	26	.350	11.0	10-10	4-16	W2	3-13	11-13

x-clinched conference title

y-clinched playoff berth



ABL TEAM PLAYOFF STATISTICS

(semi-finals and championship series)

Scoring Offense

No.	Team	G	Pts	Avg
1.	Columbus Quest	7	566	80.9
2.	Richmond Rage	7	546	78.0
3.	Colorado Xplosion	2	143	71.5
4.	San Jose Lasers	2	138	69.0

Scoring Defense

No.	Team	G	Pts	Avg
1.	Columbus Quest	7	522	74.6
2.	Richmond Rage	7	534	76.3
3.	Colorado Xplosion	2	162	81.0
4.	San Jose Lasers	2	175	87.5

Scoring Margin

No.	Team	Team	Opp.	Diff.
1.	Columbus Quest	566	522	+6.3
2.	Richmond Rage	546	534	+1.7
3.	Colorado Xplosion	143	162	-9.5
4.	San Jose Lasers	138	175	-18.5

Field Goal Pct

No.	Team	FG	FGA	Pct
1.	San Jose Lasers	51	106	.481
2.	Richmond Rage	186	414	.449
3.	Columbus Quest	203	472	.430
4.	Colorado Xplosion	57	156	.365

Field Goal Pct. Defense

No.	Team	FG	FGA	Pct
1.	Richmond Rage	202	491	.411
2.	San Jose Lasers	58	137	.423
3.	Columbus Quest	177	389	.455
4.	Colorado Xplosion	60	131	.458

Three-Point Pct

No.	Team	3P	3PA	Pct.
1.	San Jose Lasers	8	21	.381
2.	Columbus Quest	48	152	.316
3.	Richmond Rage	33	113	.292
4.	Colorado Xplosion	10	49	.204

Three-Point Pct Defense

No.	Team	3P	3PA	Pct.
1.	Richmond Rage	44	158	.278
2.	Columbus Quest	31	102	.304
3.	Colorado Xplosion	10	32	.313
4.	San Jose Lasers	14	43	.326

Free Throw Pct

No.	Team	FT	FTA	Pct
1.	Colorado Xplosion	19	22	.864
2.	Richmond Rage	141	182	.775
3.	San Jose Lasers	28	38	.737
4.	Columbus Quest	112	163	.687

Free Throw Pct - Opponent

No.	Team	FT	FTA	Pct
1.	Richmond Rage	86	124	.694
2.	Colorado Xplosion	32	44	.727
3.	San Jose Lasers	45	61	.738
4.	Columbus Quest	137	176	.778

Rebound Average/Differential

No.	Team	Total	Avg.	Diff./Gm
1.	Richmond Rage	295	42.1	+3.0
	San Jose Lasers	78	39.0	+3.0
3.	Colorado Xplosion	92	46.0	+1.5
4.	Columbus Quest	254	36.3	-4.3

Turnover Margin

No.	Team	Team	Opp.	Diff./Gm
1.	Columbus Quest	111	159	+6.9
2.	Colorado Xplosion	28	29	+5
3.	Richmond Rage	129	110	-7.7
4.	San Jose Lasers	59	29	-15.0

Playoff Highs (Individual)

Points—35, Nikki McCray, COLUM vs. SJ, 2/23/97 (semis)
 26, Tonya Edwards, COLUM vs. Richmond, 3/2/97 (Finals)
 Rebounds—19, Adrienne Goodson, RIC vs. Columbus, 3/11/97
 Off. Reb.—11, Adrienne Goodson, RIC vs. Columbus, 3/11
 Def. Reb.—12, Taj McWilliams, RIC vs. Columbus, 3/4/97
 Field Goals—13, Nikki McCray, COLUM vs. SJ, 2/23 (semis)
 FGA—23, Nikki McCray, COLUM vs. SJ, 2/23/97 (semis)
 3-PT—7, Tonya Edwards, COLUM vs. Richmond, 3/2 (7-16)
 3PA—16, Tonya Edwards, COLUM vs. Richmond, 3/2/97
 FT—13, Taj McWilliams, RIC vs. Columbus, 3/2 (13-13)
 FTA—13, Taj McWilliams, RIC vs. Columbus, 3/2 (13-13)
 FT Pct—1.000, Taj McWilliams, RIC vs. Columbus, 3/2 (13-13)
 Assists—10, Dawn Staley, RIC vs. Colorado, 2/25/97
 9, four times

Steals—7, Nikki McCray, COLUM vs. SJ, 2/25/97
 6, Debbie Black, COLO vs. Richmond, 2/25/97
 Blocks—5, Taj McWilliams, RIC vs. Columbus, 3/11/97
 Turnovers—7, Dawn Staley, RIC vs. Colorado, 2/25/97
 7—Sheri Sam, SJ vs. Columbus, 2/23/97
 7—Dawn Staley, RIC vs. Columbus, 3/8/97

Playoff Highs (Team)

Points—94, COLUM vs. SJ, 2/23/97 (semi-finals)
 95, COLUM vs. Richmond, 3/9/97 (Finals)
 Rebounds—51, COLO vs. Richmond, 2/25/97
 51, SJ vs. Columbus, 2/25/97
 Off. Reb.—24, COLO vs. Richmond, 2/25/97
 Def. Reb.—40, RIC vs. Columbus, 3/4/97
 FG—34, COLUM vs. Richmond, 3/2/97 (44-62)
 34, COLUM vs. Richmond, 3/9/97 (34-72)
 FGA—83, COLO vs. Richmond, 2/25/97 (28-83)
 3P—14, COLUM vs. Richmond, 3/2/97 (14-31)
 3PA—31, COLUM vs. Richmond, 3/2/97 (14-31)
 FT—34, RIC vs. Columbus, 3/2/97 (34-35)
 FTA—35, RIC vs. Columbus, 3/2/97 (34-35)
 Assists—26, COLUM vs. RIC, 3/2/97
 Steals—21, COLUM vs. San Jose, 2/25/97
 Blocks—7, RIC vs. Columbus, 3/11/97
 Turnovers—33, SJ vs. Columbus, 2/25/97



ABL INDIVIDUAL PLAYOFF STATISTICS (semi-finals and championship series)

Scoring Leaders

No.	Player, Team	G	Pts	Avg
1.	Nikki McCray, COLUM	7	137	19.6
2.	Adrienne Goodson, RIC	7	131	18.7
3.	Tonya Edwards, COLUM	7	125	17.9
4.	Crystal Robinson, COLO	2	33	16.5
5.	Taj McWilliams, RIC	7	115	16.4
6.	Charlotte Smith, COLO	2	31	15.5
7.	Marta Sobral, RIC	7	106	15.1
8.	Dawn Staley, RIC	7	102	14.6
9.	Sheri Sam, SJ	2	28	14.0
	Sylvia Crawley, COLO	2	28	14.0

Rebound Leaders

No.	Player, Team	G	Tot	Avg
1.	Charlotte Smith, COLO	2	22	11.0
2.	Taj McWilliams, RIC	7	76	10.9
3.	Adrienne Goodson, RIC	7	69	9.9
4.	Valerie Still, COLUM	7	57	8.1
5.	Sylvia Crawley, COLO	2	16	8.0
6.	Edna Campbell, COLO	2	15	7.5
	Val Whiting, SJ	2	15	7.5
	Sheri Sam, SJ	2	15	7.5

Assist Leaders

No.	Player, Team	G	Tot	Avg
1.	Dawn Staley, RIC	7	51	7.3
2.	Debbie Black, COLO	2	14	7.0
4.	Sonja Henning, SJ	2	12	6.0
3.	Adrienne Goodson, RIC	7	23	3.3
5.	Katie Smith, COLUM	7	21	3.0

Steal Leaders

No.	Player, Team	G	Tot	Avg
1.	Debbie Black, COLO	2	9	4.5
2.	Nikki McCray, COLUM	7	23	3.3
3.	Sheri Sam, SJ	2	6	3.0
4.	Tonya Edwards, COLUM	7	18	2.6
5.	Valerie Still, COLUM	7	17	2.4
6.	Dawn Staley, RIC	7	15	2.1
7.	Sonja Tate, COLUM	7	13	1.9

Blocked Shot Leaders

No.	Player, Team	G	Blks	Avg
1.	Taj McWilliams, RIC	7	13	2.6
2.	Crystal Robinson, COLO	2	3	1.5
3.	Edna Campbell, COLO	2	2	1.0
4.	Sylvia Crawley, COLO	2	2	1.0
5.	Anita Kaplan, SJ	2	2	1.0

FG Pct. Leaders (min. five FGA per game)

No.	Player, Team	FG	FGA	Pct
1.	Val Whiting, SJ	10	17	.588
2.	Taj McWilliams, RIC	41	75	.547
3.	Jamillah Lang, SJ	7	13	.539
4.	Adrienne Goodson, RIC	48	93	.516
5.	Valerie Still, COLUM	32	64	.500
	Anita Kaplan, SJ	8	16	.500

3 Pt Pct. Leaders (min. three 3PA per game)

No.	Player, Team	3P	3PA	Pct
1.	Jamillah Lang, SJ	4	8	.500
2.	Marta Sobral, RIC	16	38	.421
3.	Tonya Edwards, COLUM	23	55	.418
4.	Edna Campbell, COLO	4	14	.286
5.	Molly Goodenbour, RIC	10	41	.244
6.	Katie Smith, COLUM	10	45	.222

Free Throw Pct. Leaders (min. three FTA per game)

No.	Player, Team	FT	FTA	Pct
1.	C. Robinson, COLO	6	6	1.000
	Sylvia Crawley, COLO	6	6	1.000
3.	Marta Sobral, RIC	22	24	.917
4.	Katie Smith, COLUM	18	20	.900
5.	Dawn Staley, RIC	34	40	.850
6.	Jamillah Lang, SJ	5	6	.833
7.	Adrienne Goodson, RIC	33	41	.805
8.	Trisha Stafford, SJ	10	13	.769
9.	Shannon Johnson, COLUM	18	25	.720
10	Taj McWilliams, RIC	27	39	.692



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

Ms. Vallerie Cafiero
Cunningham Intermediate School 234
1875 East 17th Street
Brooklyn, New York 11229

Dear Ms. Cafiero:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to celebrate Earth Day with your school. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

Unfortunately, the President's schedule does not permit him to accept as many invitations as he would like. He regrets that he was unable to attend the event.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Stephanie S. Streett". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Stephanie S. Streett
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director of Scheduling

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From net@injersey.com Fri Apr 11 20:17:39 1997

Date: Fri, 11 Apr 1997 20:05:33 -0400

From: Annette Passalacqua <net@injersey.com>

Subject: Invitation to an Earth Day Event @ Cunningham Intermediate School in Brooklyn NY

To: president@WhiteHouse.GOV

Reply-to: net@injersey.com

Message-id: <334ED1CD.4061@injersey.com>

Cunningham Intermediate School 234
1875 East 17th Street
Brooklyn, New York 11229

*Special
Yacht*

Dear Mr. President:

Something is going on at Cunningham Intermediate School. Our sixth grade "magnet" mini school is preparing an Interdisciplinary Extraganza for Earth Day. This event will take place on Friday, April 18th. We would like to invite you to join in the celebration.

Teachers and students have put together a day designated to celebrating the birthday of our earth. For months, the students have been learning about the earth and researching ways to improve the way we live. The activities include physical education, science history, foreign language, and of course community spirit.

It would mean so much to the students if you could make it to our celebration. Take a look at the agenda for the day. If you could make it to the event it would be wonderful!

9:00 - 10:25 Run, Jog, Walk-a-thon: All our donations go to our ADOPT - AN - ACRE Program. (We adopt acres of the Rain Forest)

10:25 - 11:10 Lunch

11:15 - 12:15 Talent Show: Presentation to take place in the school auditorium. Performances will include songs, dances, skits and poetry readings revolving around the "Earth Day" theme.

1:00 - 2:00 The unveiling of new trees, shrubs and plants in our school garden: At this time, we will honor our guests. The students will also be involved in the planting of new seeds.

2:00 - 3:00 The Earth's Birthday Party: Celebrations continue,
announcements of our donations to the earth.

As you can see, we have planned many exciting activities. Please
consider our invitation and R.S.V.P. either way.

Sincerely,
Vallerie Cafiero

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

Mr. Joseph Edwards
Brockton High School
BandBoosters Association
Music Department
470 Forest Avenue
Brockton, Massachusetts 02401

Dear Mr. Edwards:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to attend the appreciation night for Mr. Vincent Macrina. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

At this time, the tremendous demands on the President will not give him the opportunity to honor your request. However, I will keep your correspondence on file and will be sure to contact you if any changes in his schedule allow him to accept.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephanie S. Streett", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Stephanie S. Streett
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director of Scheduling

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Brockton High School BandBoosters Association

**Music Dept. 470 Forest Ave,
Brockton, Mass. 02401**

address

**Joseph Edwards
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Brockton, Ma.
02402**

**President William Clinton
The White House,
Washington D.C.**

Dear President Clinton;

On June 14, 1997, the Brockton High School Bandbooster Association will host an appreciation night for Mr. Vincent Macrina, on the occasion of his twenty-fifth year with the Brockton Music Department.

Many thousands of students have passed through Mr. Macrina's classrooms, and many will be in attendance for the dinner at the Sheraton Tara hotel in Braintree, Ma, as well as the reunion concerts the next day. If your schedule finds you in the Boston area, we would be honored To have you join us . I would be happy to provide any additional information on the school or any of the functions that weekend.

As an alternative, would you consider sending a video tape to be played that evening?

Thanking you in advance

For the committee

I remain

(508) 586-1435

Joseph Edwards

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

Ms. Patti Smith
Program Director
Hillcrest Family Services
Post Office Box 1160
Dubuque, Iowa 52001

Dear Ms. Smith:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to attend your Tenth Anniversary Open House. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

Unfortunately, the President's schedule does not permit him to accept as many invitations as he would like. He regrets that he was unable to honor your request.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,

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Stephanie S. Streett
Deputy Assistant to the President
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We invite you to attend our

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Emergency Youth Shelter
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*Wednesday, April 16
10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.*

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President Bill Clinton
White House
Washington, DC 20500

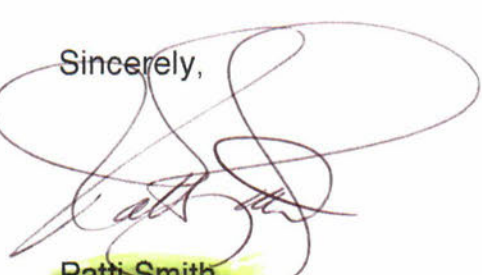
Dear President Clinton,

I am writing to inform you of our upcoming Ten Year Anniversary in serving adolescents in the Dubuque Community. The Emergency Shelter serves approximately 300 children in need within a year. The Shelter serves an important role in the community in providing quality services to adolescents who for one reason or another was removed from their home environment. In listening to you over the years how the family unit is important, I wanted to let you know personally that we are trying our best to maintain family values. In the Shelter setting we work with the children and families the best that we can under the circumstances.

I have been with the organization for 10 years and the Shelter for 3 years. I take great pride in the quality services the Shelter provides and the organization. With our 10 year anniversary approaching I wanted to let you know that the children and families of today need hope. Impression from you really has given encouragement to many children and families that have past through our door.

Thanks for your continued encouragement in seeing you in the communities and helping out where you can. I realize that you are unable to attend the Open House, I wanted to let you know that there are organizations as such as ours supporting you.

Sincerely,



Patti Smith
Program Director

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

Ms. Patricia L. Thornberry
Project Manager
Lamphere High School
Jason VIII Project
750 Tower Drive
M.S. 5B
Troy, Michigan 48098

Dear Ms. Thornberry:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to participate in the live electronic field trip to Yellowstone National Park and Iceland. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

At this time, the tremendous demands on the President will not give him the opportunity to honor your request. However, I will keep your correspondence on file and will be sure to contact you if any changes in his schedule allow him to accept.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,

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William J. Clinton
President of the United States

You are invited to attend a unique demonstration in which information technology enhances education. Students and teachers around the world will participate in a live electronic field trip to both Yellowstone National Park and Iceland under the JASON VIII Project, April 28 through May 9, at Lamphere High School, Madison Heights, Michigan.

The JASON Project, an independent privately funded program, will make its eighth journey and allow students and teachers to participate in live scientific expeditions from remote parts of the world via satellite-transmitted broadcasts. The annual JASON Project expeditions are broadcast for two weeks to more than 250,000 students and teachers at Primary Interactive Network Sites (PINS) throughout the United States, United Kingdom, Canada and Bermuda. From the PINS students view the explorations on giant theater-sized screens, talk with on-site scientists, and guide remotely operated underwater research vehicles and land-based cameras.

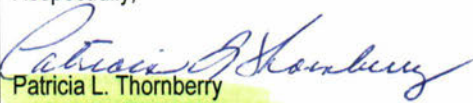
The JASON Project was developed by Dr. Robert Ballard in 1989 and is led by him today. Dr. Ballard also led the team that discovered the sunken R.M.S. Titanic in 1985, and describes JASON's expeditions as giving the viewers a telepresence - the sense of "being there" conveyed by real-time video transmission. According to a Lehigh University study, the telepresence of the JASON Project is helping to increase the interest in math and science for students in grades 4 - 12. Before participating in the expeditions students are prepared by their teachers who use a special curriculum developed with the assistance of the National Science Teachers Association and study the geographical surroundings and scientific elements of each expedition.

In Yellowstone and Iceland, the JASON Project team of scientist and argonauts will explore "hot spots" which are places in the upper mantle of the Earth where red-hot rock from the Earth's lower mantle moves upward in the form of magma. This movement of subterranean rock, which started thousands and thousands of years ago, not only causes spectacular volcanoes, geysers, and hot springs, but influences the movement of land, wildlife and people every day. Students will witness and participate in JASON's exploration of this phenomena. For many, the broadcast will inspire a lasting aptitude for science and technology.

The MI JASON PINS serves an important role for students and teachers in Michigan. This years JASON VIII project will include more than 25,000 Michigan students and teachers who have studied the curriculum and will attend one of the interactive broadcasts at Lamphere High School and MI JASON Network Sites. The excitement of the JASON Project really takes place at the PINS. It is hard to imagine or appreciate the impact of the JASON Project without visiting a PINS, which is why we would like you to visit the MI JASON Project PINS. Come see how the JASON Project is creating its own digital information highway and is an example of the "classroom of the 21st century".

One of the biggest benefits of the JASON Project is the positive role models it provides for students in science and technology. It demonstrates that science can be exciting and fun, and we guarantee that the JASON Project will be exciting and fun for you, too! Please join us for one of our JASON VIII broadcasts at Lamphere High School, April 28 through May 9. For more information, including specific broadcast schedules, please call Pat Thornberry at 810-265-2276. Also, the enclosed brochure will provide many additional details about the MI JASON Project.

Respectfully,


Patricia L. Thornberry
MI JASON Project Manager

Jim McCann
Superintendent Lamphere Schools

cc: Senator Carl Levin
Congressman Sander Levin

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ou cover your ears as the volcano belts a thunderous roar. With a schoolchild's awe you watch glowing, red-hot molten rock explode from its mouth. A river of lava burns a fiery path across the landscape. You're in Iceland, face to face with the powers that created our Earth, studying the dynamics of volcanism. A second later you're whisked across the ocean and zipped over a continent to another geological hot spot, Yellowstone National Park. Here you wait alongside a herd of antelope warming themselves by pools of steaming water. In a moment, through technology called telepresence, you're going to witness a mighty geyser—another clue to the mystery of the Earth's inner workings.

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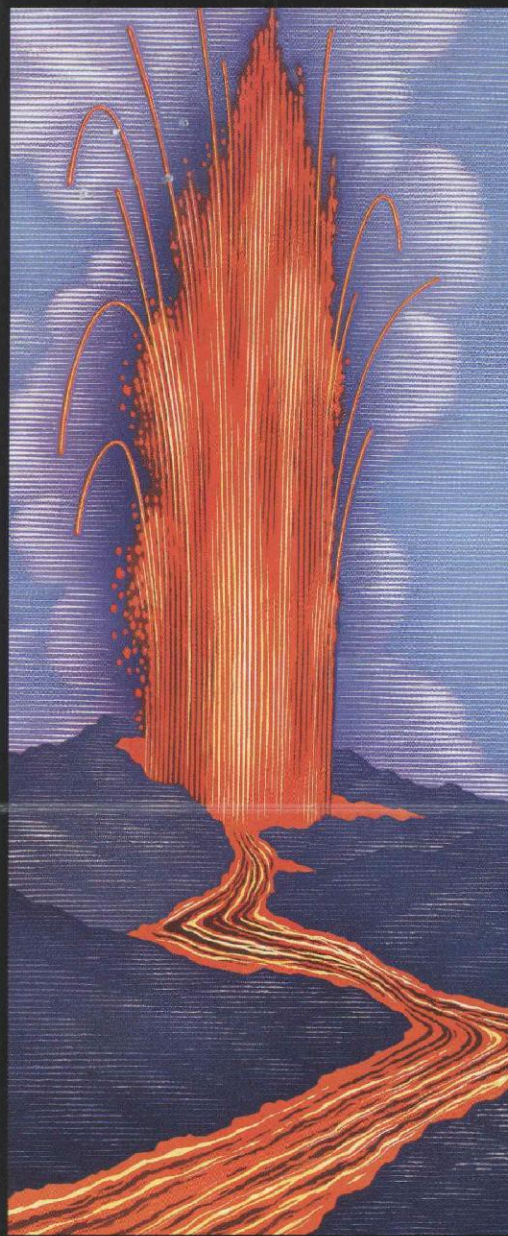
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Michigan JASON VIII Project—Journey from the Center of the Earth



On Saturday, May 3, join us in the "Classroom of the 21st Century" for an interactive distance learning broadcast of the JASON project—a live, interactive educational program that brings the excitement of real scientific discovery to schoolchildren worldwide. Dr. Robert Ballard—world-famous oceanographer, underwater explorer, and discoverer of the Titanic—founded JASON to inspire student interest in the fields of science and technology.

The program is sponsored by a consortium of science museums, educational organizations, private business, and the government.

Annually, fourth- through 12th-grade students gather at Primary Interactive Network (PIN) sites to experience the JASON Project. This year's voyage is JASON VIII. During JASON VIII, the Michigan JASON Project will proudly host 25,000 Michigan students at the Lamphere High School PIN site.

Through a unique communications network, students will join scientists investigating the exotic expedition sites of Iceland and Yellowstone, two geologically unique locations. Students can ask the scientists questions, make comments, and even control the movement of vehicles and equipment.



You are cordially invited to a live JASON VIII interactive broadcast at Lamphere High School in Madison Heights, the evening of Saturday May 3, 1997.

Reception: 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Broadcast: 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Q & A: 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

RSVP to Bridget Gerlach at
810-265-3032 by April 18, 1997



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

Mr. Phil Reyes
Muscatine Police Association
312 East Fifth Street
Muscatine, Iowa 52761

Dear Mr. Reyes:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to be a guest at the Muscantine Police Officers Third Annual Charity Golf Event. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

At this time, the tremendous demands on the President will not give him the opportunity to honor your request. However, I will keep your correspondence on file and will be sure to contact you if any changes in his schedule allow him to accept.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,

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Stephanie S. Streett
Deputy Assistant to the President
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DEAR MR. PRESIDENT,

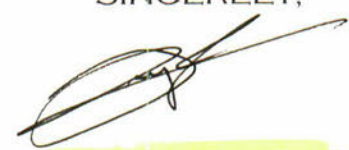
SIR, IT IS MY GREAT PLEASURE TO WRITE TO YOU ON
BEHALF OF THE MUSCATINE POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION. I
HOPE THAT THIS LETTER FINDS YOU AND YOURS WELL.

THE MUSCATINE POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION HAS
BEEN AN ACTIVE COMMUNITY FORCE FOR MORE THAN FORTY
YEARS, AND ONE THAT I AM SURE YOU WOULD BE PROUD OF.
WE HAVE TAKEN OUR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT SERIOUSLY
AND TO NEW HEIGHTS. WE CHERISH OUR STATUS AS ROLE
MODELS, FOR ALL TO SEE AND FOLLOW AND ATTEMPT TO MAKE
OUR COMMUNITY A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE.

SIR, AS PART OF NATIONAL POLICE WEEK, YOU AND A
GUEST OF YOUR CHOOSING ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO BE A
GUEST OF THE MUSCATINE POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION
FOR A ROUND OF GOLF DURING OUR ANNUAL CHARITY EVENT.

I KNOW THAT THIS IS A HUGE REQUEST SIR, POSSIBLY
BORDERING ON IMPOSSIBLE , HOWEVER, I EAGERLY AWAIT
YOUR REPLY.

SINCERELY,



PHIL REYES
MUSCATINE POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION



Muscatine Police Assoc.

C/O MUSCATINE POLICE DEPARTMENT

312 E. 5th Street

Muscatine, Iowa 52761

April 1, 1997

Dear Muscatine Police Association Friend,

Our 3rd Annual Charities Golf Event will be held on Thursday, May 15, 1997 at the Muscatine Municipal Golf Course. This charity golf outing has earned in two short years the prestigious reputation as the one event not to be missed, it is the "talk of golfers in the Bi-State area for excitement, prizes and monies raised for our year round charity programs."

As you know, the Muscatine Police Association is a leading distributor of monies to worthy and community minded programs that benefit us all. Unfortunately, our Association cannot continue without help from Organizations and Businesses like yours, therefore on behalf of the Muscatine Police Association charity efforts and programs we ask for your financial support again.

I wish to remind you that 100% of ALL monies raised by the Muscatine Police Association Golf Charity Event are deposited for use in Muscatine programs like: Shop with a Cop, Dare, Community Crime Prevention, Community Policing, MHS and L&M prom activities, Muscatine community school projects, ice cream socials, Y activities, Boys baseball, Girls softball, college scholarships and a host of other positive programs.

The 1997 Muscatine Police Association Golf Event will be exposed to local and regional newspapers, radio and television stations. During this time, you and your donation will receive the most exposure possible, as well as receiving the attention from the participants and guest.

Thank You

1997 Muscatine Police Association Golf Event Receipt

☐ 1/2 hole donation \$50.00

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MUSCATINE POLICE ASSOC.

C/O Muscatine Police Department
312 East 5th Street
Muscatine, Iowa 52761



Toyota of Muscatine

Dear Golfer,

Our 3rd Annual Charities Golf Event will be held on **Thursday, May 15, 1997** at the **Muscatine Municipal Golf Course** beginning at **8 AM**. This charity golf event has earned in two short years the prestigious reputation as the one event not to be missed. It is the talk of golfers in the Bi-State area for excitement, prizes and charity.

Thousands of dollars in cash and prizes are up for grabs in the most exciting charity golf outing in the area...BUT, space is limited, so register today.

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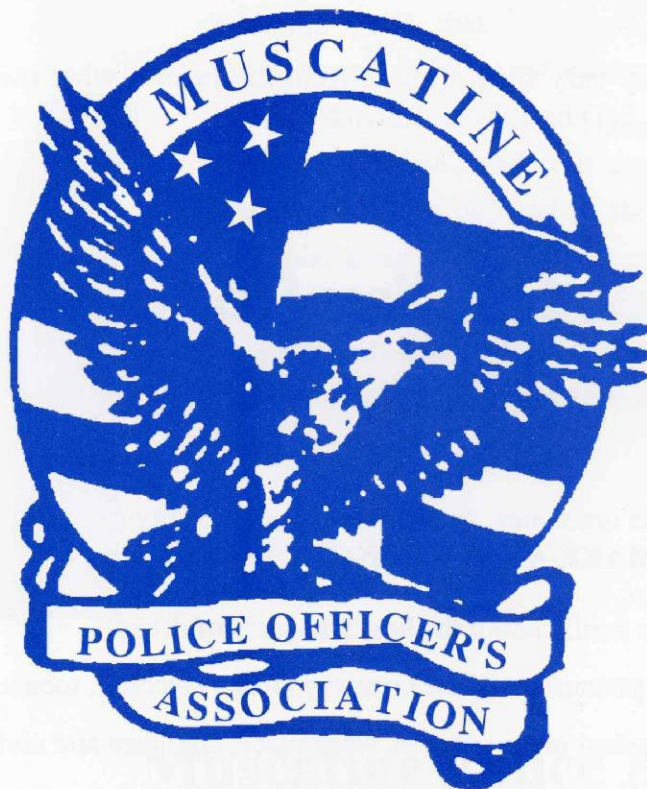
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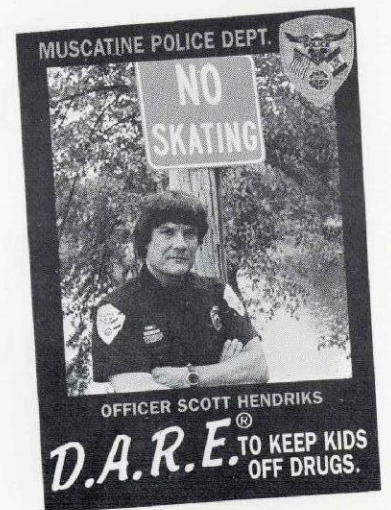
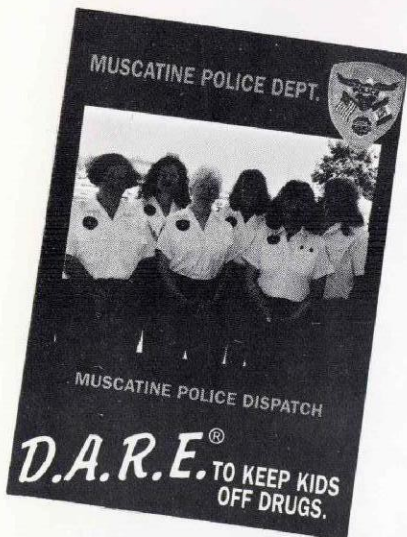
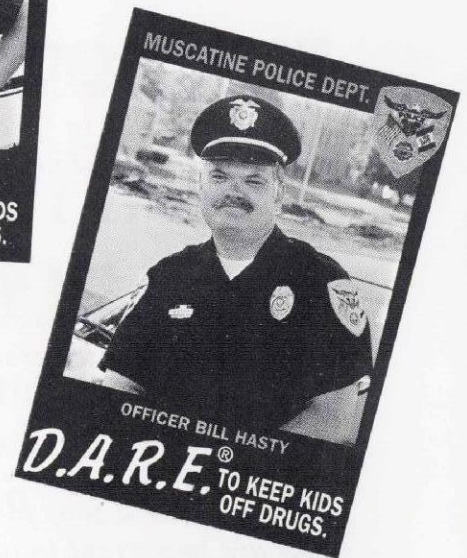
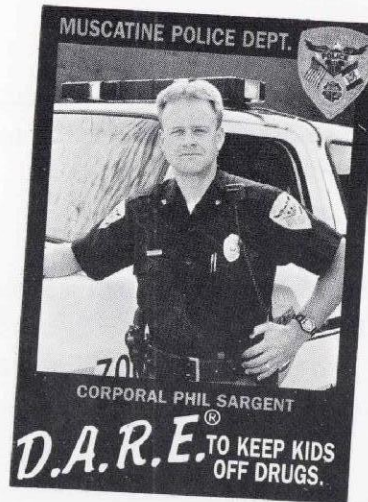
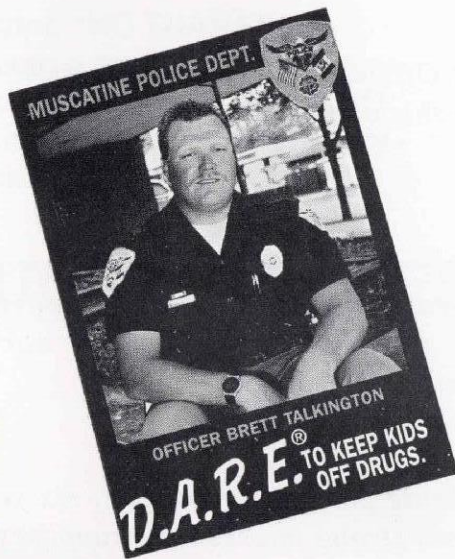
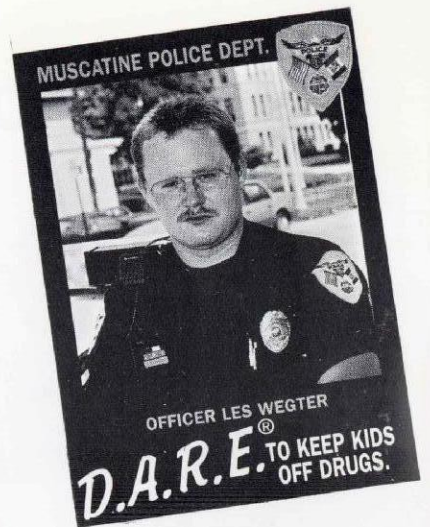
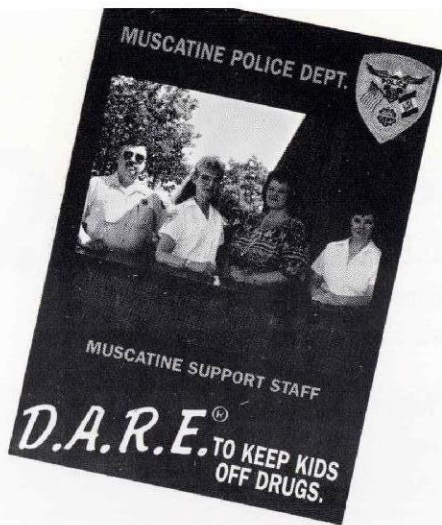
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

MSgt Patrick M. Barnes
3170 South Lowell Boulevard
Denver, Colorado 80236

Dear Sergeant Barnes:

Thank you for your invitation to President Clinton. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

At this time, the President's schedule for his trip to Colorado has not been finalized. Although I am unable to make a commitment to your request, please be assured that I will keep your invitation on file and will contact you should his schedule allow him to accept.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,

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Stephanie S. Streett
Deputy Assistant to the President
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Mr. President,

It is an honor to have the opportunity to correspond with you and make this special request. I am the first sergeant for an active duty Air Force unit assigned to Buckley Air National Guard Base in Aurora Colorado. I have the privelege of coordinating an Airman Leadership School class which is to be held at Buckley from 22 May through 25 June of 1997. We will be providing ledership and supervisory developmental training to 30 of the most outstanding young people currently serving our nation as active duty Air Force members. They are our future and the nation's defense depends on them and many

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thousands like them. These young men and women in their early twenties are tasked with responsibilities far beyond the scope of the vast majority of our nation's youth. They control and command the multi-million dollar satellite systems that guard our great nation. They protect these assets as security personnel. They perform intricate repairs when needed at all hours of the day and night, on weekends, and often far from home. Their sacrifices are many and the reward is, quite frankly, less than adequate. And yet, they seldom complain. We, their leaders, have few resources at our disposal to reward their efforts and constantly strive to find new ways to motivate and retain these young professionals. You have the unique opportunity to assist in that endeavor. I respectfully request a short visit. Sir, five minutes of your valuable time spent with this class of future Air Force leaders would do more to motivate them than any combination of pay, benefits, awards or any other incentives combined. It's my understanding that you will be hosting the G-7 summit here in Denver during the time my folks will be attending their training. I beseech you to find a small hole in your schedule to shake hands with the future, my 30 students, and share with them the nation's appreciation for the job they do. I'd be honored if you'd consider my request and anxiously await your reply. My e-mail address is included as is my

home address. My duty information follows: MSgt Patrick M. Barnes, 2d Space Warning Squadron, 18300 E. Crested Butte Ave, Buckley ANGB, Aurora, CO 80011, 303-340-9240. Thank you for your time.

v/r: MSgt Pat Barnes

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

The Chinese WP and MA Veterans Association
181-11 Kildare Road
Jamaica, New York 11432

Dear Friends:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to attend the Fourth International Convention of Chinese Veterans. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

At this time, the tremendous demands on the President will not give him the opportunity to honor your request. However, I will keep your correspondence on file and will be sure to contact you if any changes in his schedule allow him to accept.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,

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Stephanie S. Streett
Deputy Assistant to the President
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THE CHINESE WP& MA VETERANS ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK
181-11 Kildare Road, Jamaica N.Y. 11432

4/3/97

Dear Mr. President Clinton:

We are a group of Chinese veterans, some of us who had served in World War II, fighting side by side with the U.S. soldiers against the Japanese on land as well as in air. We have come to this country individually as immigrants during the past forty years.

Fifteen years ago we founded the Chinese Veterans of Military Academy, Wan-Po, in New York City. Each year we take part in the Veterans Day parade on Fifth Ave. in Manhattan. Since 1995, the Chinese Veterans International Convention has been held annually in different cities across the nation.

It is with our greatest honor to have you attend our convention as a distinguished guest this year. This world will be more peaceful and prosperous than ever under your wisdom and leadership. An invitation card is attached to this letter. We deeply appreciate you taking the time to read this letter and we hope you can join us. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

The Chinese WP& MA Veterans Association

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**The Chinese WP & MA Veterans
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Cordially invites you to attend

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On

Sunday, June 15 1997
12:00 Noon - 5:00 pm

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Flushing, NY
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

Ms. Jonna Ganje
Secretary
Junior Class
Cheyenne Eagle Butte High School
Post Office Box 1080
Eagle Butte, South Dakota 57625

Dear Ms. Ganje:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to attend your graduation. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

At this time, I am unable to make a commitment to your request. Please be assured that I will keep your invitation on file and will contact you if the President's schedule allows him to accept.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,

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Stephanie S. Streett
Deputy Assistant to the President
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Dear President Clinton: I have been asked by my classmates to request your presence at the Junior class graduation of 1998. The graduation will be held on May 17, 1998. Please respond even if you do not wish to address the class of 1998.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

Mr. Robert William Adams
1835 U.S. 60 East
Morehead, Kentucky 40351

Dear Mr. Adams:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to speak at your graduation. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

At this time, the tremendous demands on the President will not give him the opportunity to honor your request. However, I will keep your correspondence on file and will be sure to contact you if any changes in his schedule allow him to accept.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

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Stephanie S. Streett
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[Message Information]

PURPOSE: Extend invitation to visit or speak
TOPIC: Education
AFFILIATION: Student - College or University
SUBJECT: I would like to see President Clinton return to Kentucky

[Message]

Dear Mr. President,

I am writing on behalf of the students at Morehead

State University in Morehead, K.Y.. I hold no official

office here at the university, however I greatly

enjoyed your visits to both Ashland and Lexington.

Your brother spoke at our institution a couple

of years ago and the impact of having someone related to you here enthused us and provided a mystical sense of presence to our small but humble university.

My point is, we would like to invite you to speak at our convocation ceremonies on Saturday, May 19, 1997.

Our university is lacking in morale and blunty, if a person of your magnitude and leadership were to attend, it just may spark something in us all to be more motivated. We really hope you can join us. If there are any questions or comments you may have, please e-mail me or write me via U.S Mail. We would love to hear your response. Thank you so much for your time.

Sincerely,
Robert William Adams
Undergraduate Student of Communications

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

Ms. Ann Manubay
Coordinator
Youth Voice Collaborative
YWCA Boston
140 Clarendon Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Dear Ms. Manubay:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to attend the unveiling of your online news service, The Voice--the source from the youth perspective. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

At this time, the tremendous demands on the President will not give him the opportunity to honor your request. However, I will keep your correspondence on file and will be sure to contact you if any changes in his schedule allow him to accept.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,

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Stephanie S. Streett
Deputy Assistant to the President
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Office of the President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

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April 3, 1997

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the Youth Voice Collaborative and the YWCA Boston, I would like to extend an invitation for you, your family and staff to attend our official unveiling of *The Voice*--the source from the youth perspective -an online news service created and run entirely by young people (ages 13-17).

The Youth Voice Collaborative is a media and technology initiative sponsored by the YWCA Boston in collaboration with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Boston, the Patriots' Trail Girls Scout Council, and the Urban League of Eastern Massachusetts. YVC supports urban youth to become critical consumers and creators of media in order to amplify their own voices.

The Voice resulted as a creation from our YVC Press Corps. Our team of youth journalists traveled to both San Diego and Chicago, where they reported from the floors of the Republican and Democratic National Conventions. Upon their return, they realized that there is a real need for more youth reporting. Thus, they formed their own editorial board and designed *The Voice* for the distribution of youth-written articles. The news outlet on the world wide web hosts a forum for exchange of ideas and serves as a national source for the youth perspective. Each month the YVC Press Corps members research, interview and initiate discussion and provide comprehensive reports on current social or political issues.

Many people do not believe that teenagers have opinions on the world around them. Just because teenagers cannot vote, does not mean they do not have a voice. Youth need an outlet to be heard by all - both young and old. *The Voice* seeks to be that outlet. I hope that you can attend our launching ceremony on May 30, 1997.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ann Manubay", is written over a light-colored background.

Ann Manubay, YVC Coordinator



YWCA Boston

Boys and Girls Clubs of Boston

Patriots' Trail Girl Scout Council

Urban League of Eastern Mass.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

Ms. Ruth Pecsì
Carl Sandburg College
2232 South Lake Storey Road
Galesburg, Illinois 61401-9576

Dear Ms. Pecsì:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to meet with your group when you are in Washington, D.C. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

At this time, the tremendous demands on the President will not give him the opportunity to honor your request. However, I will keep your correspondence on file and will be sure to contact you if any changes in his schedule allow him to accept.

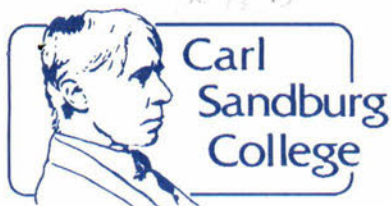
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Stephanie S. Streett
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April, 7, 1997

Special
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The Honorable William F. Clinton
President of the United States
1600 Pennsylvania Ave N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Clinton:

In January, 1995 you visited Carl Sandburg Community College and Galesburg Senior High School in Galesburg, Ill. to introduce your Middle Income Bill of Rights.

On Thursday May 8th, 1997 a class of "senior citizens" who are enrolled in the College For Seniors program at Carl Sandburg College will be visiting the White House! All 44 of us will have on matching College for Seniors Tee shirts and we would like to present a tee shirt to you when we tour the White House, (granted we are not the Chicago Bulls) but we are from Illinois!

President Don Crist of Carl Sandburg sent a letter in March to Kirk Hanlin informing him tentative arrangements have been made with the assistance of Agent Mark Waterford to tour the East Wing at 7:45am. As of this date he has not had a response from Kirk. As a senior citizen myself and coordinator of the Senior program I thought perhaps a personal letter to you might help to get you to meet with us (should your schedule allow) for the presentation! What a thrill it would be for the class!

We wish you full recovery and the tee shirt would be one more to add to your collection to wear for jogging!

Sincerely,

Ruth Pecs
Coordinator-College for Seniors
Carl Sandburg College

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

Ms. Jenny Sciorra
Associate
Hudson Valley Career Academies
Commerce Learning Center
Suite 66
One Galleria Drive
Middletown, New York 10940

Dear Ms. Sciorra:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to attend your graduation from the Commerce Learning Center. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

At this time, the tremendous demands on the President will not give him the opportunity to honor your request. However, I will keep your correspondence on file and will be sure to contact you if any changes in his schedule allow him to accept.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

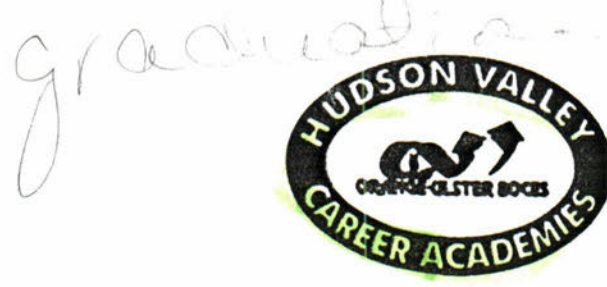
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Middletown, NY 10940
(914) 695-1057

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March 25, 1997

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President and Mrs. Clinton:

I am writing you this letter to invite you to a graduation, but not an ordinary graduation. Let me explain. Thirty-four other high school students and I attend the Commerce Learning Center which is part of the Orange-Ulster BOCES.

This high school is one of only four of its kind in the United States. It is located in a shopping mall which gives us the opportunity to complete our academics plus learn work-readiness skills through hands-on experience.

We participate in internships in the mall, and also take on real life projects such as designing a monthly newsletter for Filene's Department store and planning a fashion show for the mall merchants. We do not make money, but become rich in experience. Kathryn Jo Mannes from the National Retail Federation describes us as, "... an exemplary program that can serve as a model for the nation on how business and education can work together."

We would be honored to have you attend our graduation ceremony on June 13, at 9:00 a.m. in center court of the Galleria at Crystal Run, Middletown, NY. We have 13 students graduating this year.

Come see our non-traditional high school, and have great cake, too.

Sincerely,

Jenny Sciorra
Jenny Sciorra
Associate

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

Mr. Charles D. Fox
12903 Poppyseed Court
Germantown, Maryland 20874

Dear Mr. Fox:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to attend your Awareness Day. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

At this time, the tremendous demands on the President will not give him the opportunity to honor your request. However, I will keep your correspondence on file and will be sure to contact you if any changes in his schedule allow him to accept.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,

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Stephanie S. Streett
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director of Scheduling

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CHARLES D. FOX

Telephone 301/540-2099

12903 Poppyseed Ct.
Germantown, MD 20874

Dear President Clinton,

We are trying to keep crime out of our neighborhood. We know that you are doing your part to fight crime, and we think we should do our part. We live in the Cinnamon Woods in Montgomery County MD. I know we are not #1 on the things you deal with, but in our small way we are doing our part, and reaching out to all the others in our community in our area to help fight crime. To let you know where we are in our fight. We started a Community Watch for a few years, we reached out to others thru a Communities Awareness Day. It was a great success and is now an annual event. We keep in close contact with Police, and have been told a Positive Police Presence is a way to keep crime down. So we are in the middle of establishing a Police Satellite Facility in our neighborhood. We have had our first meeting with Police, and surrounding communities. If you could help in any way as telling us where we might get some funding, I know this is a long stretch but maybe you could come to our Awareness Day. Thanks for any help you can give us.

God Bless you and your family

Charles D. Fox

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

Mr. John Bruneau
1760 North Lloyd Street
Crestview, Florida 32536

Dear Mr. Bruneau:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to participate in Diversity Week. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

Unfortunately, the President's schedule does not permit him to accept as many invitations as he would like. He regrets that he was unable to attend the event.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,

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Stephanie S. Streett
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From www@bitcorp.net Mon Mar 17 11:11:25 1997
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APR 17 1997

Dear President Bill Clinton:

I am:
John Bruneau
1706 N. Lloyd St.
Crestview
FL
32536
USA

As a Student - College or University I am writing to you about Education.

Dear Mr. President,

My name is John Bruneau and I am a president in my own right, but certainly at a different level, with the student group SWANs. Which means, Students With Alternate Needs. I have been trying to contact you since October of 1996. I know that you were busy with the election, because I was busy working with a person running for State Senator here in Florida (a Dem. of course). I again attempted to reach you following the elections, which included a congratulations on your victory, but I recieved no reply.

I pray that this letter of invitation does not fall on deaf ears again.

We, the disabled students of the University of West Florida, Pensacola and Fort Walton Beach campuses, do hereby invite you, Mr. President, to attend and participate in the disabled students activities during the annual "Diversity Week". We are going to have a wheelchair ralley which it will be the first year of this annual event. From what I have assessed, by the day of the ralley, April 10, 1997, you should be in good form to win the competition. People with or without wheelchair ability are invited to participate, we will supply the chairs.

So, Mr. President, we certainly would enjoy your company here at the University of West Florida. If you do not wish to compete in our disability awareness, maybe you know someone who needs a little experience in sensativity. If so, send him/her down! We can find accomodations for them.

Thank you,
John Bruneau
Jbruneau@emcst.com

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 24, 1997

Mrs. Bettie Okoh
Chairperson
City School District of New Rochelle
Title I - Advisory Council
515 North Avenue
New Rochelle, New York 10801-3416

Dear Mrs. Okoh:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to the 19th Annual Parent Conference. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

Unfortunately, the President's schedule does not permit him to accept as many invitations as he would like. He regrets that he was unable to honor your request.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,

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Stephanie S. Streett
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director of Scheduling

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March 13, 1997

Special Mail

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Honorable Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the Title I District-Wide Parents Advisory Council (DPAC) for the City School District of New Rochelle, we extend an invitation to you to attend the **19TH ANNUAL PARENT CONFERENCE.**

As you know, parent involvement in the schools is an essential factor in our children's academic achievement. Only when parents, educators and community work **HAND-IN-HAND** can our children succeed in school. This conference promises to be as successful as our conferences of previous years. We hope you and/or a representative from your office or district will be present on that day. This year's conference theme is:

"JUMP-START TO LITERACY"

DATE Saturday, April 5, 1997

PLACE New Rochelle High School
265 Clove Road
New Rochelle, NY 10801

REGISTRATION 8:45 AM

BREAKFAST 9:00 AM

GENERAL SESSION 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM
STORYTELLER - John Farrell

TRINITY SCHOOL 11:00 AM - 12:00 NOON
PERFORMANCE

REFRESHMENTS..... 12:00 NOON - 12:30 PM

END OF CONFERENCE 12:30 PM

If further information is needed, please contact Mrs. Bertha Carey, Title I Secretary , at (914) 576-4233.

Please RSVP by March 28, 1997.

Yours in Education,


Mrs. Bettie Okoh, Chairperson
Title I District-Wide Parents
Advisory Council (DPAC)

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