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78 Deer Run
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April 19, 2000

President William J. Clinton
The White House

Dear Mr. President:

Thanks to the courtesy of Sean Maloney, my son John and I had the pleasure of a short visit to your office.

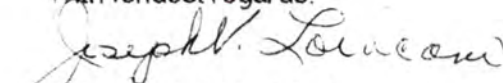
While there I was attracted to your collection of insignia designating the various divisions, Armies, etc. of our Armed Forces. Unless I overlooked same, I did not notice the insignia of my WWII outfit, Supreme Hq Allied Expeditionary Forces (SHAEF) General Eisenhower's Command, in the ETO. I have included the original version with this note, with the hope you will add it to your collection.

I thought you might like to include our SHAEF shoulder patch as well.

I feel this is a good opportunity to thank you sincerely for the service you have given our country during your years as our President. My family joins me in letting you know how proud and grateful we are, and have been, for your leadership...and most especially how you brought us together during those sad times when one tragedy or another hit us. You have done your duty well....and you have our deep appreciation.

Take care of yourself...please pass on our best wishes to Mrs. Clinton and your lovely daughter, Chelsea. May God watch over all of you.

With fondest regards,


JOSEPH V. LOIACONO

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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The Leon & Sylvia Panetta Institute for Public Policy

January 27, 2000

cc: Stephanie .

The Honorable John Podesta
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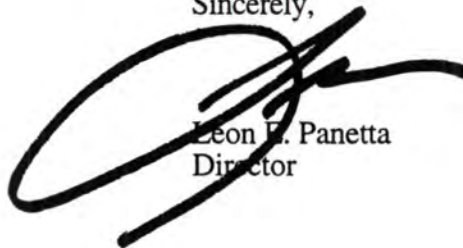
Dear John:

I received the enclosed correspondence recently from my close friend, Bert Cutino, and am accordingly forwarding it to you. As you will see, it is a letter from Frederik Sonnenschmidt, Chair of the American Academy of Chefs, extending to the President an honorary membership in the organization, and asking that the President become the organization's patron.

Additionally, Mr. Sonnenschmidt has invited the President to attend the American Culinary Federation's convention later this year.

Thank you for your time and attention to this correspondence, John. I hope to see you again soon.

Sincerely,



Leon E. Panetta
Director

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Enclosure

Cc: Mr. Bert Cutino
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Monterey, California 93940

Mr. Frederik Sonnenschmidt
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The National Organization of Professional Chefs

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Dear President Clinton,

As chair of the American Academy of Chefs, the honor society of the American Culinary Federation, I would like to introduce you to our organization. The American Culinary Federation is the largest organization of professional chefs in the United States, focusing on the education and professional development of our members and future culinarians. Of the approximately 25,000 American Culinary Federation members, 800 are in the prestigious American Academy of Chefs. Your own White House chef, Walter Scheib, is among our distinguished colleagues!

As the number of Americans dining out each year has increased, the importance of the professional chef in this society has grown exponentially. As professional chefs feeding the nation, we are responsible for gastronomic satisfaction, sound nutrition, and the *health* of the dining public!

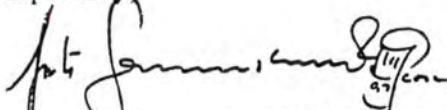
Recently I read that His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, has accepted patronage of the Canadian Chefs and Cooks Association. I would like to extend an invitation to you to become our patron of the American Academy of Chefs through honorary membership. This certainly would reflect positively on your understanding of the vital importance of today's professional chef!

Our American Culinary Federation National Convention will be held at Opryland in Nashville, Tennessee, from July 28, 2000 - August 1, 2000. I would like to invite you to attend as our guest. Of course we understand your incredibly busy schedule. However, we would be most honored by your patronage and willingness to speak to our members

I have enclosed information detailing the importance of American Culinary Federation and the American Academy of Chefs. I feel certain you will find it interesting and that you will recognize many of our prestigious members.

I look forward to your reply.

Respectfully,


Frederik H. Sonnenschmidt, CMC, AAC
Chair

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Enclosures



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APRIL 18, 2000

Dear President Clinton,

For the past five years, I have been working with the children of Cross and St. Francis Counties as a Professional Counselor. The past year has been a confusing one for mental health providers of Arkansas, but with the recent change to Arkansas Behavioral Care management, we all felt optimistic that finally the concerns of clinicians and clients would be adequately addressed. Now, suddenly we learn that DHS has arbitrarily cancelled this management contract, once again, disrupting and diminishing the services to Arkansas' children. Excuse my "soapbox," but I, along with a thousand plus counselors statewide, am discouraged and overwhelmed. I don't presume to expect direct Presidential involvement, but if, after reading the enclosed letter from our clinic's Administrator, you have any suggestions or can give any direction, we will greatly appreciate it.

Stevie Stevens suggested I send this through Ann McCoy in hopes that it will reach you promptly. Apparently DHS plans to push this most recent decision through by May 31st. Our clinic alone services several hundred children in a six county area who will all be in jeopardy of disruptive or discontinued services. It breaks my heart! Thanks for "listening."

My best to you as you plan for "Private Citizen" days. I know emotions must be mixed. I wish you well. My best to Hillary as well - what a Senator she will be!

Thanks again for all you do on behalf of fellow Arkansans.

Sincerely,

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Dear President Clinton,

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I am a mental health provider in the Delta Region of Arkansas. We currently service children in Crittenden, Lee, St. Francis, Cross, Monroe and Phillips Counties. I own and operate a facility that was recently credentialed by Arkansas Behavioral Care in this region. We currently employ approximately 20 people in this impoverished area and were looking at the employment of others in our efforts to provide quality service for the emotionally troubled children and families in this region. Currently, many of these children are in Foster Care and have others associations with both the judicial system and have problems with the educational setting as well.

The schools in this area were in great need of additional assistance with troubled children. They have endorsed us and have commended our services. We continue to get large numbers of referrals from both the schools that we have allied with as well as the local medical providers and DHS.

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We know that you have a special place in your heart for the children of the Delta, as do we. Counseling Consultants motto has been adopted "Where Caring For Kids Comes First" we believe this with all our hearts and this is why we cannot let the care of our children go for the

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Dear President Clinton,

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It is my understanding from the article in the Democrat on Saturday that we will no longer be able to provide these greatly needed services if the system reverts back to the former method of access. Arkansas is one of the very last states to have given masters level clinicians the right to practice and receive state reimbursement for their services. Prior to Arkansas Behavioral Care, the only providers allowed, as you know, were psychiatrists and psychologists and the only facilities were Community Mental Health Centers.

To revert back to this prior system in this area would once again monopolize the system of care. Because of the shortage of providers in the state already, there were many of these children and families that were unable to obtain services, therefore children went without help.

There are over 1000 major providers like us across the state that have gone to great efforts, as well as committed themselves personally and financially, to take on the responsibilities to meet the needs of these families. This drastic move will have tremendous negative impact on the providers, their employees, and also children of Arkansas as a whole. This will create a loss of service providers, as well as a great deal of confusion for the families that we serve. We do not understand all the politics that are involved in this matter, but we do understand the needs of the children and families of our area.

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sake of politics.

We appreciate any help or direction that you can give us on this matter.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeanne Boschert". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jeanne" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Boschert".

Jeanne Boschert
Administrator
Counseling Consultants

Report given to
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Mr. President:

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Attached is an article
from the U.S. Times

describing the content
issues I have mentioned
in recent meetings.

Also enclosed is the
report upon which the
article is based.

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Web Offers Few Riches for Poor

■ **Content:** Despite gains in access, study finds dearth of useful material for people with low incomes or limited English skills.

By JUBE SHIVER Jr.
TIMES STAFF WRITER

WASHINGTON—The digital divide may be narrowing between haves and have-nots in terms of access, but experts say the gap in content is enormous.

A study released Wednesday found that at least 50 million Americans are poorly served by the Internet because of a dearth of Web sites targeting the needs of people with low incomes and those who don't read or speak English well.

Conducted by the Children's Partnership, a nonprofit group based in Santa Monica, the report found limited information about jobs, housing or the educational needs of low-income Americans.

The report, entitled "Online Content for Low-Income and Underserved Americans: The Digital Divide's New Frontier," suggested that Internet content providers use more sophisticated search, translation and multimedia tools, such as the audio presentation of text material, to make existing online content more accessible.

They also suggested that content providers hire people in low-income and immigrant neighborhoods to create Web sites that are more appealing and relevant to those audiences.

"There's been so much focus on the boxes and wires to connect to the Internet that we almost forgot to ask what people are getting once they connect," said Wendy Lazarus, coauthor of the study and founder of the Children's Partnership.

"We found a strong desire among people for practical, local information about their neighborhoods that seems to fly in the face of the way the Internet is moving in terms of national portals" like **Yahoo**, **Netscape** and **Excite**, Lazarus said. She noted that the 50 million underserved Americans possess more than \$300 billion in purchasing power.

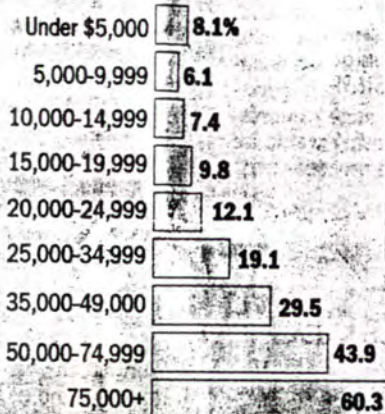
The report comes as Silicon Valley's growing ranks of multimillionaires have begun eyeing ambitious projects that might address the content gap.

Several high-tech executives and philanthropic foundations have announced

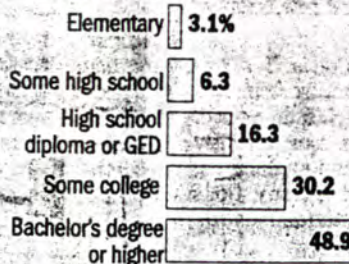
Who's on the Net

Although more people are gaining access to the Internet, significant gaps remain in the areas of income, education and race. Listed below are the percentage of Internet users by various groupings:

By Income Level



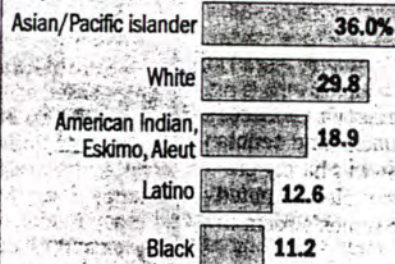
By Education Level



GEORGE WILHELM / Los Angeles Times

Students in North Hollywood use computers at School on Wheels, a nonprofit organization that provides tutors for homeless children.

By Race



Sources: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, "Falling Through the Net: Defining the Digital Divide," July 1999; The Children's Partnership
Researched by NONA YATES/Los Angeles Times

Los Angeles Times

projects aimed at making the Internet more appealing and useful for low-income users, who are increasingly gaining access to the global computer network through public schools, community centers and falling computer prices.

The New York-based Markle Foundation announced Wednesday, for instance, that it would spend \$1 million to develop online content targeting low-income Americans. That announcement came a day after Internet software billionaire Michael Saylor pledged to donate \$100 mil-

lion to launch a free online university that could reach hundreds of millions of people worldwide.

Mario Morino, a Reston, Va., a philanthropist who heads his own technology think tank, the Morino Institute, says the flood of money, though well-meaning, could potentially do more harm than good if government and industry don't first work with neighborhoods to build the skills needed to utilize new technology.

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neighborhoods and revitalize families," Morino said. "Many of these communities don't have the organizational structure to effectively use this technology."

The 47-page study examined 1,000 Web sites and found that only 6% contained the kind of local information that people at or below the federal poverty line said they wanted.

Low-income Americans said they wanted more information on local housing, local jobs and more culturally diverse and multilingual content. But about 87% of Web pages are in English, while 32 million Americans speak a different primary language. Similarly, the overwhelming majority of Web content is in text and graphics rather than easier-to-understand, but bandwidth-consuming, sound and video.

Still, the study turned up several innovative Web sites that are attempting to address these concerns about Web content.

The Social Security Administra-

tion's Web pages were cited by Children's Partnership as examples of practical Web information presented in highly accessible formats.

But for the most part, it was community organizations, schools and even businesses—not governments—that provided the most frequent examples of engaging Web content targeted at citizens with low incomes and limited English-language skills.

When it came to immigration information, for example, the survey cited not the Immigration and Naturalization Service, but the commercial **Immigration-USA.com** as a Web site "containing vital information for immigrants." The site provides information in five different languages and includes a comprehensive list of immigration forms.

And Prairienet, part of the Community Networking Initiative at the University of Illinois, was cited for training more than 500 low-income residents in computer skills and for maintaining Web pages on everything from child-care resources to neighborhood help resource guides to health care services and jobs.

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ONLINE CONTENT FOR LOW-INCOME AND UNDERSERVED AMERICANS

THE DIGITAL DIVIDE'S NEW FRONTIER

A Strategic Audit
of Activities and
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March 2000



A Publication of
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 24, 2000

TO: Sean Maloney
Staff Secretary of President Clinton

FROM: Stephen Whisnant
Executive Director

SUBJECT: Face of America

Herewith is a set of copies of our recent correspondence to President Clinton. It includes a formal invitation to join this extraordinary event in St. Louis, extended by the executive committee of World T.E.A.M. Sports. President and Mrs. Clinton have been good friends to our organization. They both served as Honorary Chairs of an event in 1995 to honor a team of athletes, both with and without disabilities, who had just completed bicycling around the world. In 1998 we worked very closely with a number of key individuals within the administration to plan and execute our project in Vietnam.

I am hopeful you can assist in allowing the right people within the White House to review our invitation. Mrs. Clinton, as you may know, is the Honorary Chair of the Millennium Trails Council, a partner with the Millennium Council. Our event is a formally sanctioned event of that year-long celebration.

We are hoping the President will consider traveling to St. Louis and being the key spokesperson when this extraordinary team arrives there on Saturday afternoon, June 3.

Thank you for your thoughtful attention to this matter.

Kindest regards.

cc: Senator John Kerry
Senator Chuck Hagel
Congressman Bob Matsui
Congressman Jesse Jackson
World T.E.A.M. Sports Executive Committee

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The Honorable William J. Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
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Dear President Clinton:

Your participation yesterday on CNN with "Online with the President" urged me to get this information in your hands. I have been meaning to provide an update about the Face of America for several weeks. Your comments yesterday, especially at the conclusion of the program echo, it seems, the basic tenet and themes of this grand program. When you stated that Americans need to "get our minds right and our spirits right" and "live together with a common goal" you've underscored the whole significance of this project and our work as an organization.

The Face of America was conceived by World T.E.A.M. Sports, now almost two years ago, when we formed a partnership with the Rails to Trails Conservancy. Since that early meeting we have designed a twenty-two day journey across America that will officially kickoff in San Francisco and Boston on Saturday, May 13 and conclude on Saturday, June 3 (International Trails Day) in St. Louis. Grand kickoff events are planned with the respective cities and Mayors and each day, as the teams weave across America, using many of the trails on bicycles and on foot, America will see a representative slice of the American landscape pass by...the team will truly reflect the great diversity which constitutes our country today. I have attached a brief glimpse of only twelve team members; as many as eighty or more will join them for a stage or for the entire twenty-two day stint. When we arrive in St. Louis we are planning for a significant afternoon celebration, targeting our friends, sponsors and the citizens of St. Louis. Our arrival will be at the historic arch alongside the Mississippi River.

The enclosed materials, I trust, will provide you and your office a thorough background on World T.E.A.M. Sports and this project. If you recall, you and the First Lady served as Honorary Chairs of our gala celebration in 1995 when we concluded our AXA World Ride event. The Face of America has been formally designated as a Millennium Trails Program Partner which is in collaboration with the Millennium Council, the U. S. Department of Transportation and the Rails to Trails Conservancy.

This quick overview also comes with a request from me which will be followed up, immediately, with a formal invitation from our executive committee. We would like you, Mr. President, to formally receive these teams when they **connect and meet** in St. Louis to celebrate the conclusion of the event. We have stated emphatically in our literature and in our talks, we think this event will serve in some small way to bridge and connect our country, and the people, who make up this rich nation. There is no one better today, especially because of your role and your advocacy, to congratulate and honor this extraordinary team. Also, the connection with the U. S. Department of Transportation and the movement to expand our rail-trails system, I trust, is of special and particular interest to you and your administration.

President Clinton
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We have built an illustrious advisory board along with an impressive group of sponsoring companies. They are all listed and are enclosed within this package. I know a number of our advisory board members, even our board of directors, can speak to the significance and importance of this rare event---and the value in having you with us on June 3. The time commitment would seek your involvement from around 3:30 pm for an hour or so. We have some flexibility with the formal arrival and therefore can adjust and alter our schedule depending on your availability. If by chance you are scheduled to be in some far corner of the world that day, maybe your office could work with us for a suitable substitute. However, my personal biases say that *you* are the correct and notable spokesperson to proclaim this desire...our desire...to build *one* America. We are having good discussions with the various media outlets and CNN, to name one, has expressed keen interest as have a number of the networks and even some documentary filmmakers. All three of our last projects have resulted in full-length documentary films; all garnering major awards, including two Emmys.

In the next week your office should expect to receive a more formal invitation from the World T.E.A.M. Sports' executive committee and hopefully a supporting word or two from our advisors. Dr. Robert Coles, who you honored year before last with the Medal of Freedom, is one of our most vocal advocates for this project. In early April he will be part of a special program here in Charlotte that is part of our expansive educational outreach of the entire event.

Thank you very much for your kind consideration and thank you for your thoughtful remarks yesterday on CNN. I am hopeful something will work out to have you as our honored guest in St. Louis on Saturday, June 3.

Yours faithfully,



Stephen Whisnant
Executive Director

cc: Secretary Rodney Slater
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Dear President Clinton:

A few weeks ago your office should have received from our office in Charlotte some background information on our upcoming project, the Face of America and the plans for the concluding event in St. Louis. As members of the Executive Committee we wish to formally invite you to be the "official greeter" of this extraordinary team when they arrive in St. Louis on the afternoon of Saturday, June 3. The two teams will travel only thirty-five miles that day and will arrive in downtown, near the historic Arch, at approximately 3:00 pm. Mayor Clarence Harmon and the City of St. Louis are very much behind and supportive of the event and in fact, Mayor Harmon will be present to receive the teams. Other dignitaries, city officials, sports legends from the region and certainly corporate sponsors will be there in mass. It appears that Secretary Rodney Slater will ride with one of the teams and upon hearing that news, Franco Harris has agreed to come in from Pittsburgh to join him and the team.

This event has taken on great symbolism for it truly represents an effort for America to come together. And while promoting the basic tenets of the Millennium Trails movement, it celebrates diversity. That is very much what we stand for as an organization. The two teams we have assembled are the most diverse and interesting we have ever brought together: they include senior citizens, seasoned athletes, individuals across all disability groups, young people who have lived their entire lives in foster care, cancer survivors, and several members who represent the "new Americans"---recent immigrants who now claim the US as their home.

We have assembled an illustrious advisory committee along with a stellar group of corporate sponsors. These groups are listed herewith. We have also outlined a very dynamic educational outreach piece which will engage young people all across America. A letter and essay campaign has begun and the enclosure on this topic, it seems, should be of very special interest to you and your administration. In fact, we would welcome your participation on the "live chat line" one of the evenings.

As Greg LeMond, a fellow director of World T.E.A.M. Sports, declares in our brochures opening statement, "what a great journey across America, what a great journey for America." We thank you for your kind consideration and we hope to see you in St. Louis on Saturday, June 3.

Sincerely,

Jim Benson Peter Kiernan George Puskar

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A GREAT JOURNEY FOR AMERICA!”**

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RE: National Campaign Against Youth Violence

Date: April 26, 2000

Message

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Yes ☒No ☐

cc: scheduling *Carl*

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Education

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- ◆ 1978-1979 - *Pepperdine University, M.S.
Reading Education*
- ◆ 1981-1982 - *Pepperdine University, M.S.
School Management and Administration*

Credentials

- ◆ 1979 - Reading Specialist
- ◆ 1982 - Administrative Services

Certificates

- ◆ 1993 - *Volunteer Tutor for Adult Education
Laubach*
- ◆ 1996 - *Specially Designed Academic Instruction in English – LAUSD
SDAIE*

Professional Experience (full-time)

- ◆ 1999-Present - *Director of Education
LA's BEST After School Enrichment Program, Los Angeles, Calif.*
- ◆ 1992-1999 - *English/Drama/Gate/Remedial Reading Teacher
John Burroughs Middle School, Los Angeles, Calif.*
- ◆ 1985-1992 - *Elementary School Teacher
Allesandro Elementary School, Los Angeles, Calif.*
- ◆ 1982-1985 - *Elementary School Teacher
Vine Street Elementary School, Los Angeles, Calif.*
- ◆ 1978-1982 - *Elementary School Teacher
Rosewood Avenue School, Los Angeles, Calif.*
- ◆ 1973-1978 - *Elementary School Teacher
Saint Bernadette Parochial School, Los Angeles, Calif.*
- ◆ 1972-1973 - *Elementary School Teacher
Sirrine Elementary School, Greenville, South Carolina*

Professional Experience (part-time)

- ◆ 1989-1992 - *Government / Economics Teacher*
Los Angeles High School, Los Angeles, Calif.
- ◆ 1982-1985 - *Reading Lab Consultant*
Hollywood Community Adult School, Hollywood, Calif.

Additional Professional Experiences

- ◆ 1999-2000 - *Celebrate Science Program Advisor*
LA's BEST After School Enrichment Program
- ◆ 1999-2000 - *Read Across America Coordinator*
LA's BEST After School Enrichment Program
- ◆ 1998-1999 - *Founder / Director - Millionaire's Club for Literacy*
John Burroughs Middle School
- ◆ 1997-1999 - *President*
Los Angeles Reading Association
- ◆ 1997-1999 - *Read Across America Coordinator*
John Burroughs Middle School
- ◆ 1994-1999 - *Chairperson of the Visual and Performing Arts Department*
John Burroughs Middle School
- ◆ 1993-1997 - *Lead Trainer / Sesame Street, Storytime, Puzzle Place*
KCET Educational Outreach Programs
- ◆ 1993-1994 - *Founder / Director Cross-Age Tutoring Program*
John Burroughs Middle School
- ◆ 1992-1994 - *Founder / Director After School Literacy Club*
John Burroughs Middle School
- ◆ 1990-1992 - *Trainer / District Intern Program*
Los Angeles Unified School District
- ◆ 1990-1992 - *Lead Trainer / Literacy Workshops*
Los Angeles Times in Education Program
- ◆ 1990-1992 - *Trainer / District Teacher Network Institute*
Los Angeles Unified School District
- ◆ 1987-1992 - *Lead Trainer / Literacy Workshops*
Los Angeles Unified School District
- ◆ 1987-1988 - *Curriculum Writer / Language Arts*
Los Angeles Unified School District

Awards Received

- ◆ 1999 - *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*
- ◆ 1994 - *Los Angeles Educational Partnership Award*
- ◆ 1992 - *Outstanding Teacher of the Year*
- ◆ 1992 - *Outstanding Language Arts/Literature Educator's Award*
- ◆ 1990 - *Nancy McHugh Teacher of the Year Award*
- ◆ 1990 - *Who's Who in American Education*
- ◆ 1988 - *KLCS Educational TV Video in the Classroom Award*

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Crenshaw Learn Charter High School

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April 6, 2000

President Bill Clinton
c/o Mr. Justin Cooper
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Dear Mr. Clinton:

Crenshaw Learn Charter Digital High School, is an urban high school located in South Central Los Angeles. It is the home of approximately 2,700 students with the following ethnic distributions: 78% African American, 21% Latin American and 1% other (this includes Native Americans, Asian Americans and Anglo Americans).

The Crenshaw Elite Choir is a world-renowned choir, recently returning from their bi-annual tour. **European tour**, led by its famous choir director, Ms. Iris Stevens **Prince Charles** at the Royal Palace in London and with Stevie W Leno's **The Tonight Show**, and **Sister Act I and II** starring Who

Soon Jae Lee, Chairman of ChungNang Cultural Center in Seoul, Crenshaw High School Elite Choir and seven staff members to participate in the "Through Music and Cultural Exchange Program." The choir will visit the Korean community to help bridge a better understanding of both cultures. The program is scheduled from August 11, 2000 - August 22, 2000.

This program is supported by **The World Cultural and Sports Foundation** is an international organization that promotes peace and sports.

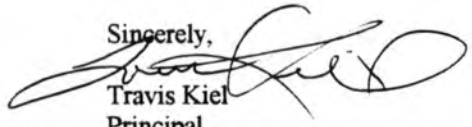
While the invitation has been extended and accepted, both Crenshaw High School and **Sports Foundation** would like letters of support from both local and national organizations. importance of this historic event, which promotes peace and good relations between the Korean community and the African American community.

Please address your letters of support as soon as possible to:

Soon Jae Lee, Chairman
ChungNang Cultural Center Seoul, Korea
% World Cultural and Sports Foundation, Inc.
3350 Wilshire Blvd., #272
Los Angeles, CA 90010

If you have any questions, you may reach Grandmaster Tong Suk Chun at (213) 487-2882. The fax number is (213) 487-2998. Letters must be received no later than April 20, 2000. You may also reach Yvonne Garrison, the Assistant Principal of Crenshaw High School at (323) 296-5370, ext. 2125.

Thank you very much for your time and support in promoting this great endeavor.

Sincerely,

Travis Kiel
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Soon Jae Lee, Chairman of ChungNang Cultural Center in Seoul, Korea has invited forty students from the Crenshaw High School Elite Choir and seven staff members to participate in the "Celebrating of Cultural Diversity Through Music and Cultural Exchange Program." The choir will deliver great music and spiritual sounds to the Korean community to help bridge a better understanding of both cultures and countries. This historic tour is scheduled from August 11, 2000 - August 22, 2000.

This program is supported by **The World Cultural and Sports Foundation**. **The World Cultural and Sports Foundation** is an international organization that promotes peace and harmony through cultural exchanges and sports.

While the invitation has been extended and accepted, both Crenshaw High School and **The World Cultural and Sports Foundation** would like letters of support from both local and national dignitaries in order to emphasize the importance of this historic event, which promotes peace and goodwill between the United States and Korea, and also between the Korean community and the African American community in the USA.

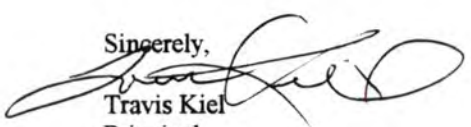
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CRENSHAW HIGH SCHOOL ELITE CHOIR

Iris Stevenson, Director

Professor Iris Stevenson is the renown music teacher and Chairperson of the Music Department at Crenshaw High School in Los Angeles. Through her obedient and devoted life to God, many lives have been touched, nurtured and changed. The Crenshaw High School Elite Choir, under her direction, was chosen to be U. S. Ambassadors to the Worldwide Music Festival in Nice, France in an unusual "four-year" invitation (1992, 1993, 1995 & 1996), where they received top honors. Not to mention their four year winning streak in the Jamaica Jazz Festival (1987-1991), and 1994 European tour to Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium and France as Ambassadors of Good Will. The choir has received major media coverage in conjunction with the November 1, 1994 visit from His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales. International media coverage has helped to make this choir a "household name". It was a signal honor to begin the 1995 Invitational Tour with a Command Performance for His Royal Highness, Prince Charles at his private residence in St. James's Palace in London, England. Crenshaw High School Elite Choir continued to perform for Heads-of-State in Paris, Lyon and Nice, France and audiences of over 200,000 per performance. This Choir had a highly successful 1996 Winter Tour which included performances in Vitrolles, Montpellier, Antibes, Villefranche and the Royal Family of Prince Rainier in Monaco. Professor Stevenson returned to the Sorbonne in Paris to present a paper on the historical aspect of the Crenshaw High School Elite Choir's influence on Europe during the "April in Paris" 1996 International Music Conference. As an additional bonus, the Crenshaw Elite Choir embarked upon the 2nd half of the 1996 European Tour during July 17 - August 14. This incredible European Summer Concert Tour series has continued every summer since 1996 with rave reviews throughout Switzerland, Andorra, Italy, Spain, Monaco, France and has expanded in 1999 to include their first European Christmas Tour with a teaching segment sponsored by the Ministry of Education in France. In 2000, Crenshaw Choir's Tour will include various Asian countries including China, Japan and Korea.

The musical career of Professor Iris Stevenson has become the "Footprints in the Sand" for many musicians. In December of 1993, the movie Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit starring Whoopi Goldberg, was released. This movie was inspired by the life and music of our own Professor Iris Stevenson and the Crenshaw High School Elite Choir.

High Visibility has been afforded due to local performances with various guest artists: Lou Rawls, Peabo Bryson, James Ingram, Chaka Khan, The Artist, Meredith Brooks, Queen Latifah, Ice-T, Steve Winwood, Patti Austin, Melissa Manchester, Roberta Flack, Sheena Easton, Michael Bolton, Boyz II Men, Whitney Houston, Kirk Franklin & The Family, (including the "Stomp" video) The Yellowjackets, Dianne Reeves, Doobie Brothers, Phoebe Snow, Shirley Caesar, etc. Crenshaw Elite Choir has performed as Special Guest Artists with the Southeast Symphony Orchestra (John Dennison) in the World Premiere of the choral version of "Some Trust In Chariots" written by Iris Stevenson, The Yellowjackets (Russell Ferrante) in the World Premiere of the Maya Angelou Inaugural Poem "On The Pulse Of The Morning" at the 1996 Playboy Jazz Festival, Los Angeles Philharmonic (Yvette Devereaux) with the World Premiere of "The Easter Suite" written by Joe Westmoreland & Charles May, Hollywood Bowl Orchestra (H.B. Barnum) in the World Premiere of "Stand And Be Proud" also featuring Iris Stevenson's rendition of "America", Cerritos Symphony (Gail Deadrick) "The Colors of Christmas", Disney's Young Musicians Orchestra also featuring the World Premiere of "The Power Of The Dream" the 1996 Olympic Theme written by David Foster. Just recently, Crenshaw Elite Choir appeared on the 1998 Emmy-nominated "Christopher Reeve: Celebration of Hope Special" with Stevie Wonder, Willie Nelson, Gloria Estefan, Robin Williams and a host of entertainers and featured guests. Shortly thereafter, Don Mischer Productions featured Crenshaw with Stevie Wonder and Jessye Norman on "L'Chaim: To Life! Israel's 50th Birthday". Critically acclaimed "Tribute to George Gershwin's Porgy and Bess" was arranged by Iris Stevenson and performed for Quincy Jones in May 1998. This Porgy & Bess performance was requested at the 1998 Nice Jazz Festival as the Choir appeared with Lionel Hampton.

As a part of the AMP program, Crenshaw recorded with Meredith Brooks on her latest CD entitled Deconstruction. It was an honor to appear on the Tonight Show featuring Jay Leno performing the single "Lay Down (Candles In The Wind)". Through Meredith's generosity, the choir has appeared with the Eurythmics and received honorable mention on other talk shows including the Queen Latifah Show, Martin Short and Rosie O'Donnell.

Feature Stories include a 5-page article in the Calendar section of the Los Angeles Times, and several Community circulations, such as The Wave, The Sentinel, Downtown News, and LA Watts Times. The producers of several local and national television shows have honored the Crenshaw Elite Choir by featuring this Music Department on the following shows: NBC NOW with Tom Brokaw and Katie Couric, NBC Extra, The Leeza Show (NBC), The Gabrielle Show (FOX), ABC Home Show, ABC Mike & Maty Show, The Stephanie Miller Show (UPN), Unsung Heroes (National Syndication), Life & Times (PBS), HBO Comic Relief VI, HBO Chez Whoopi!, CNN ShowBiz Today, BET Sheila Frazier's Teen Forum, E! Entertainment TV, The United Cerebral Palsy Telethon (UCP) hosted by John Ritter, Disney's Young Musicians Special, (Disney), 1996 NAACP Image Awards (FOX), Caryl & Marilyn (ABC), CBS Live At The Getty Center, Nickelodeon's Big Help-A-Thon, KNBC, KABC, KCBS, KTLA KTTV, KCAL, KCOP and KCET. Iris Stevenson was honored as the recipient of What's Right With Southern California Award (KCBS) and just recently chosen as #27 of the 103 Most Influential Persons in Southern California by the Los Angeles Times.

World Cultural & Sports Foundation, Inc.

World Cultural & Sports Foundation, Inc. (WCSF) is a nonprofit organization promoting peace, harmony and understanding within Los Angeles communities, especially among the many diverse cultures, races and ethnic groups comprising much of the population in the Greater Los Angeles area. This is accomplished by hosting various scholastic, cultural and athletic events in local neighborhood venues, bringing together the youth of the area in an environment conducive to demonstrating the benefits of social equality, tolerance, good sportsmanship and learning.

Through its various programs and activities, the WCSF is committed to:

- Developing a thorough understanding of the needs of the local communities
- Increasing awareness of the value of cultural diversity to the individual
- Sharing cultural values of each ethnic group among members of all groups
- Providing leading sports authorities and activities to demonstrate the value of athletics and sportsmanship in daily life
- Provide mentoring programs to support students in need and promote the value of education as a foundation for future success

WCSF Projects & Programs:

In dealing with the primary problem of cultural and racial

distrust and misunderstanding, we begin at the grassroots level--local neighborhoods-- and provide effective activities. WCSF projects and program planned for the 1998-99 season are the following:

Festival of Peace: A unique annual event where different cultural communities are brought together to celebrate and share their individual heritage and ethnic uniqueness



Tae Kwon Do is one of the many sport competitions offered to youth city wide by the WCSF.

through sports, performing arts, cuisine, fine arts and scholarship. The Festival is a two-day event which will be hosted in Koreatown, with simultaneous celebrations in sister communities including East and South Central L.A., Little Tokyo, Little Saigon, Chinatown, Hollywood and the Mid-Wilshire/Beverly Hills community.

Student Exchange Program:

Young Americans, representing all of the diverse cultures, will be sent to live abroad while their foreign counterparts will come here to learn about America. In this way, real-life

practical experience will be brought home and passed on to peers.

Koreatown Youth Hostel: An inexpensive hostel, supported by WCSF, for traveling youth from all over the world. This "international" environment will give young people a change to experience the multi-cultural diversity of Los Angeles while visiting the area.

Executive Encounter: A program that teaches young people how to own and operate a business. This program will be directed and staffed by successful business leaders from various cultural backgrounds. In educating young people about business and commerce, an actual company will be formed, a product developed and marketed to the community.

World-Class Kids: An international youth club for young people. Membership is free. Services provided include martial arts training, passes and discounts to community activities; scholastic mentoring; English lessons, Basketball, Baseball, Soccer, and Art.

We Need Your Help!

More community services are currently being developed, and we are eager to work with volunteers and community agencies. Please feel free to call the WCSF office at (213)487-2782, (213)934-7405.

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The Honorable Bettie Curry
Personal Secretary to the President
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White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear Mrs. Curry,

Spent 5 days trying to reach someone in the VA Regional Office in Winston Salem, home of the Secretary of Veteran Affairs and my friend Erskine Bowls (Charlotte -now in NY).

Each call met with a computerized phone and no way to reach a human being. I only use the Va medical Center in Asheville when I can't get help here. We have the worst Doctors of anywhere I have lived. I reported one and my friend Dr. Charles Trado, Head of the State Medical Board pulled her license and the police/FBI are looking for her for other reasons. As of this date they know she is in Montana and they continue to search there.

I went thru hell for 5 days, trying to reach someone in the VA Affairs Office in Washington. I never reached anyone in the VA Regional Office in Winston Salem or anyone in Asheville that would help me, so I called Senator Helms office in Hickory Friday. Within an hour, I received a call from, Kathy Siemar, the person taking Patient Rep. Bob Wright's place temporarily, She was most kind and said she would have the problem resolved and call me back. Though I was in and out Friday I have an answering machine and I never heard from her Friday. Today is Saturday which makes 6 days of frustration and I have no confirmed word on anything.

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competent Doctor anywhere within North Carolina and that includes the Duke Medical Center. You all have seen my brochure and all the things my wife Boots and daughter have done for people all over the world. Money isn't a problem but the above complaints are. I've always supported you and tried to help in the good work you do.

Your assistance will be appreciated by, not only me but, all Veterans.

I've had 6 epidural blocks recently for back and leg pain and have been in pain since November 13th when we were guests at the Va. Tech/Miami football game - because I walked more than I should. We have assigned, thru a codicile, several million to their Archives and Library.

Dr. Ira Bernstein, at the VA Asheville Medical Center saved my life 2 & 1/2 years ago and I requested a commendation from the Sec'y. of Veteran Affairs which was granted. That's why I go there to see this Gastrologist. He is not only good but he cares. For 2 years before, the Gastrologists and Heart Specialists here said I was fine. Dr. Hess, who did the by-pass at the Carolina Medical Center said I would have dropped dead within 4 weeks had I not gotten there.

Anything that you can do to help the Veterans and allow them to speak to a human being at VA Regional Offices around the Country will be appreciated. You may have other suggestions.

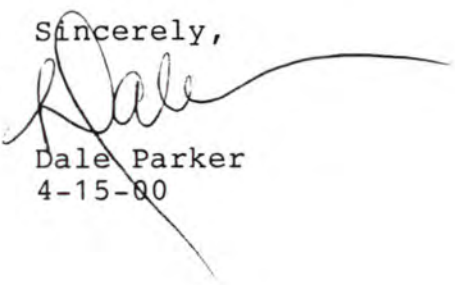
Thank you for making my trips to Paris, Denmark, Germany and other places last year such memorable occasions. While I am in great pain, I'm going to do everything I can to attend the Astronaut Gala at the Museum of Flight July 22, 2000 in Seattle, Washington where "THE PARKER SPACE COLLECTION" will be for years to come. It was the largest privately owned collection in the world consisting of over 9000 items. Glad we finally found a good home for it. Boeing has purchased 6 acres of land to expand the museum, so I am told. It is adjacent to the Boeing Seattle Airfield. Wish you could attend. They made Boot, Jackie and I life members and I was added to the Space Walk of Fame recently for my contributions to getting the Gemini Spacecraft off the ground in 1965 for NASA.

Like the guy looking at his picture on the Post Office wall said, "IT'S NICE TO BE WANTED".

Thank you.

Same text to; U.S. Senator
Jesse Helms and his Chief
of Staff

Sincerely,



Dale Parker
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Center for National Policy

April 18, 2000

Betty Currie
Personal Secretary to the President
the President The White House
Washington, DC 20502

Dear Betty:

On behalf of CNP Board Chairman Leon Panetta, and for National Policy Board of Directors, we are writing to ask CNP Members Reception 2000, following the first annual Kirk O'Donnell Memorial Lecture on American Politics, on Wednesday, May 10 at the Phoenix Park Hotel, Grand Ballroom, 520 North Capitol Street, NW, Washington, DC.

The annual Kirk O'Donnell Memorial Lecture series friends of CNP's late president, Kirk O'Donnell, a special political and also deeply committed to the public interest. The event, scheduled from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The CNP Reception will take place at the Phoenix Park immediately afterward, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

We hope you will take part in both of these events, as they are important Washington organization. Today, now more than ever, we want a government that works effectively for all Americans. That's what the Center for National Policy is all about.

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We appreciate your help and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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Yes ☒

No ☐

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April 13, 2000

Ms. Betty Currie
Office of the President
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear Ms. Currie:

At a Democratic Leadership Council meeting a few months back, I had the honor of speaking at great length with President Clinton about how heavily influenced the City of Taunton has been by the initiatives of his administration. At this time, we concurred that the City would prove to be an excellent venue for the President to showcase all that his presidency has accomplished over the past eight years.

Enclosed, please find a copy of the letter that I sent to President Clinton to follow-up on this conversation. The President suggested that I forward a copy to your attention in the hope that you may be able to provide me with some assistance in securing this visit, as it would prove to be a tremendous honor to the community of Taunton.

Thank you for your time and effort, and please call my office with any further questions or concerns. I look forward to hearing from you in the very near future.

Sincerely,

Marc R. Pacheco
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State Senator

Enclosure

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April 13, 2000

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear President Clinton:

During my initial visit to the White House in May of 1993, you acknowledged that several of your predecessors visited Taunton, Massachusetts, during their respective presidential terms, and I would be most honored to have you join this esteemed association before the conclusion of your term as president.

At a Democratic Leadership Council meeting a few months back, we discussed the possibility of Taunton playing host to a legacy visit, as we concurred that the City is an excellent example of all that has been accomplished under your leadership and guidance. In an attempt to arrange this visit, you suggested that I forward a copy of this letter to Betty Currie and follow-up to ensure that the request reaches the appropriate persons.

As previously mentioned, I believe that Taunton is a perfect example of all that your administration has accomplished throughout its eight years. Last time I had the honor of listening to you speak, you talked in great length about putting a human face to the global economy. The people of Taunton best represent this ideal, as the community has been greatly enhanced by the steady growth of the nation's economy. In 1991, the City faced an unemployment rate of eleven percent. It is now a mere three percent – a wonderful tribute to the Clinton administration.

Taunton has also been heavily influenced by several other aspects of the Clinton-Gore agenda. Of particular notice is a project that was inspired, in large part, by the First Lady's efforts in the health care arena and the administration's focus on AmeriCorp



volunteers. The Taunton Student Health Corps is a community-based service initiative in which students from a wide array of health care and human service curriculums, together with current and retired practitioners, address the unique needs of the uninsured and under-served residents of the Southeastern Massachusetts area.

On another note, the City of Taunton is proud to be recognized as an official White House Millennium Community. Our celebration began in October with a public music event and a ceremony honoring the City's rich history, and will continue with an 18-month calendar of events designed to honor the past and celebrate the future. Throughout the next year, we would be privileged to have you join Taunton in the celebration that you and the First Lady inspired.

I believe that Taunton is an ideal location for you to showcase all that you and your administration has accomplished over the past eight years, and I would be honored to host a celebration in your honor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Marc R. Pacheco". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized "P" and a long, sweeping underline.

MARC R. PACHECO
State Senator

cc: Betty Currie

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