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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 28, 1996

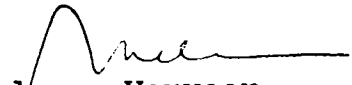
Catherine O'Neill
1078 Napoli Drive
Pacific Palisades, CA 90272

Dear Catherine,

Thank you for your letter and more generally, for staying in touch. We appreciated hearing from you on our issues of mutual interest and concern.

Thank you for writing and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,


Melanne Vermeer
Deputy Chief of Staff
of the First Lady

*It was
great to see
you in LA,
be back so
briefly*

R

Catherine O'Neill
1078 Napoli Drive
Pacific Palisades, California 90272

To Melanne Verveer
Office of the First Lady

Dear Melanne,

I felt so badly that my irrational fear of flying in bad weather kept me from seeing you, Mrs. Clinton and so many other folks at Nancy Rubin's party. Later that evening, I heard from Lettie, Nancy and others that Mrs. Clinton had been marvelous.

Thank you so much for contacting Brian Atwood after our last meeting. When we met with him last Friday, he said that funding had been found to keep those Bosnian women run NGO programs operating for a year, and that instructions would be relayed to insure that the 45 million dollar Bosnian loan program that the US is undertaking will benefit women run businesses as well as others.

Your word, a letter from Senator Feinstein, and a call from Rep. Jane Harman as well as our meetings with AID and State staff all played into that...so thank you.

Next week, at Leila al Marayati's invitation, I will be attending a Los Angeles luncheon sponsored by the Muslim organizations, which Mrs. Clinton is scheduled to address. I look forward to seeing both you and her on May 30th. We saw each other at a party at my house last night for Judy Miller's new book on the Islamic world "God Has Ninety Nine Names".

Katie Button may have told you that I was among the group of people who were disappointed with the President's decision on land mines. I wish the NSC staff had not kept using the term "moral leadership". I think that was particularly rankling to those many NGO groups who had worked so hard to get a firmer stance on this issue. Part of me feels that the President was insulated from the breadth and depth of feeling among religious groups, editorial writers, etc. by the NSC staff who were coordinating the debate.

My next Op-ed piece is likely to be one which encourages the Administration to take a more assertive leadership position in getting rid of Boutros Ghali and bringing in someone who will help restore confidence in the UN.

If I don't see you in Los Angeles next week, I will be on the East Coast for June and July and would happily travel to Washington for any gathering of interest.

My very best,

Catherine

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WASHINGTON

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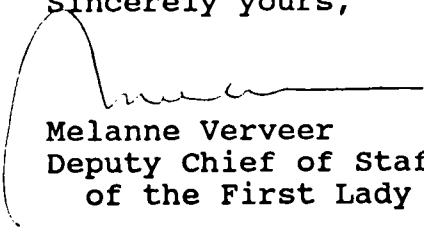
Kathleen O'Conner
WHERE
1110 3rd Avenue, Suite 800
Seattle, Washington 98101

Dear Ms. O'Conner,

Mrs. Clinton asked me to thank you for your letter and copy of your health care glossary. Mrs. Clinton appreciates the important work you do.

Thank you and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,



Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff
of the First Lady

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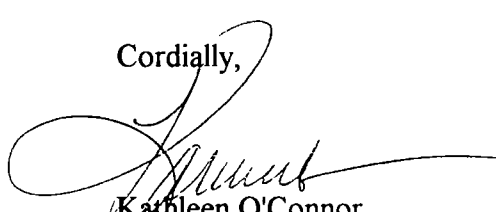
Health Care
Communication
Specialists

Melanne Verveer
Office of the First Lady
Old Executive Office Building, Room 100
Washington DC 20500

Dear Ms. Verveer:

Would you please see that the First Lady receives this copy of my health care glossary with my compliments? The first edition sold over 30,000 copies. This is an advance copy off the press. I hope she finds it of interest.

Cordially,


Kathleen O'Connor
Founder/Executive Director
WHERE (Women for Healthcare Education, Reform and Equity)

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 14, 1996

Elizabeth Owens
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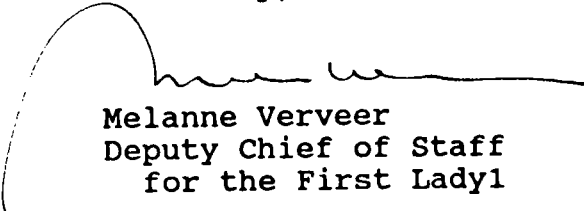
Dear Ms. Owens,

Mrs. Clinton asked me to thank you for your letter reflections on "family values" and the information you sent to her in regard to the issue of Parent Education.

Mrs. Clinton appreciates the important work you do on behalf of improving the lives of children. However, The First Lady is not in a position to promote your program along the lines that you requested.

Thank you for writing and best wishes.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff
for the First Lady

Vizcaya Group, Inc.
Suite 6310
8536 Lake Vista Ct.
Orlando, Fl. 32821

June 8, 1996

First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton
Office of the President
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Clinton;

. I am an extremely close friend of Congressman Tom Foglietta (Philadelphia).

In reading the enclosures delineated in the following: Letter to Gov. Tommy Thompson and Letter to Surgeon General C. Everett Koop, you will learn that:

1. Wisconsin has accepted a portion of our program (note: French-American-Foundation, of which you were a part) in his new Welfare Reform program.
2. I have been writing for months that the Democrats should not let Republicans "steal" the mantle of the Family Values Party.
3. Democrats in Wisconsin are looking at my packet thinking the Parent Education concern should become BI-PARTISAN there.

I know that your heart is in children's issues - my admiration is toward you.

1. Could the Democratic Party utilize my skills by piloting a Parent Education program comparable to what we plan to do immediately in Wisconsin?
2. Would Florida and Gov. Childs be interested? The statistics on Children's Well-Being in Florida are "horrific" (see Orlando Sentinel release, June 3, 1996 enclosed).

3. My company could set up a program in
Florida (Orlando?)

-QUICKLY (September)

-EXPERTLY

-INEXPENSIVELY

as it is doing in Wisconsin (see
enclosures, Strategy: Parent Education
Initiative).

Your statement that parents cannot "do it by
themselves" rings strikingly true (Orlando Sentinel
release, April 14, 1996 enclosed) and is, indeed, an
UNDERSTATEMENT!

Thank you for saying it!
At last!

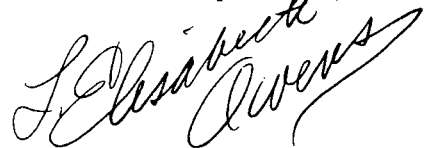
Let's build on that. Please read my philosophy
(enclosure Vizcaya and Parent Education).

I'm a Democrat and definitive Clinton supporter.

Nothing would please me more than that the
Democratic Party accept some credit for being the party
which REALLY has Cared about Families through most of
this century.

"Could we talk?" I'll meet you today - Orlando -
Tampa - where?

With admiration
and anticipation,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "L. Elisabeth Owens". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

L. Elisabeth Owens
President & CEO

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 27, 1996

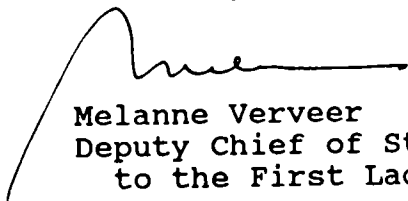
Bozhena Olshaniwsky
Americans for Human Rights in Ukraine
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Dear Betty,

Thank you for your letter and copy of
your article on the Ethnic American
celebration at the White House on June 14,
1996.

We appreciate all that you do. Best
wishes.

Sincerely yours,



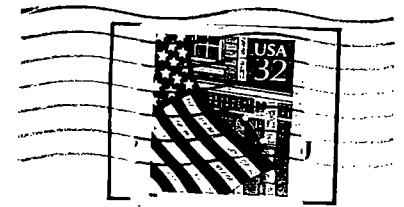
Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff
to the First Lady

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IN UKRAINE**

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*1 Send her
thanks for all
she does*

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*Melanne Verreen
Office of the First Lady
The White House
Washington, DC 20500*

6/24/96 Dear Melanne: I sent this to 4 Ukr. Am. papers.
Am working on the Ukr. version. With best wishes
Becky

PRESIDENT CLINTON AND DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE CELEBRATED ETHNIC AMERICA

by Bozhena Olshaniwsky

June 19, 1996

Some 200 leaders of various ethnic communities in the US attended a combined White House and Mayflower Hotel event on June 14, 1996 in Washington, DC. The program, which was dedicated to their ethnicity, was hosted by President Bill Clinton, Vice President Al Gore and the Democratic National Committee (DNC). The two-and-a-half hour meeting in the White House included briefings by the President, Vice President, Education Secretary Richard Riley and National Security Advisor Anthony Lake. Speeches by leadership of the DNC and discussions were featured at the luncheon program in the Mayflower Hotel.

Americans of European and Mediterranean heritage participated in this event, including organization leaders, elected officials, teachers and businessmen and women active in community organizations and networks. Americans of Albanian, Arab, Armenian, Baltic, Croatian, German, Greek, Hungarian, Irish, Italian, Norwegian, Polish, Portuguese, Serbian, Slovak, and Ukrainian heritage were among those present.

The Ukrainian contingent consisted of: Taras Bazyluk, speechwriter and aide to the director of US Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, Washington, DC; Andrew Fedynsky, director of the Ukrainian Museum Archives in Rocky River, OH; Dorothy Dowzycky Furtney, director of contract compliance, Erie County Council on Children and Families, Buffalo, NY; Anna Krawczuk, President, UNWLA, Holmdel, NJ; Julian E. Kulas, President, First Security Federal Savings Bank, Chicago, IL; Alexander Kuzma, director of development, CCRF, Short Hills, NJ; Walter Lupan, president Ukrainian American Bar Association, Sherborn, MA; Ulana Mazurkewycz, Committee to Aid Ukraine, Philadelphia, PA; Bozhena Olshaniwsky, president, AHRU, Newark, NJ and Melanne Starinshak Verveer, deputy assistant to the President and deputy chief of staff to the First Lady, Office of the First Lady, Washington, DC.

Prior to the President's appearance before the group the Vice President stated succinctly that the Soviet Union will never be reconstructed again.

President Clinton, who was the final speaker in the White House gathering, thanked the leaders for their service to America and their role in helping to make Americans understand our mission in the world community. "Today is Flag Day," he said. "It's a celebration of American citizenship and patriotism. And it's also, by coincidence, the six-month anniversary of the signing of the Dayton Accords on Bosnia. And to me those two days represent the very point I'm trying to make to you."

The President continued to highlight three principles inherent in his vision for America, the same principles that embody the immigrant experience -- opportunity, responsibility and community. "America's immigrants from all over the world came here to seize the opportunity of America's bounty, demonstrated enormous personal and family responsibility, which we need more and more of in America today, and did so in a way that built our communities, recognizing that individuals could not succeed divorced from strong families and strong communities and ultimately a strong country."

Mr. Clinton laid out his approach for the future of the country, discussing his domestic and foreign policy agendas. He called attention to the path he set out three-and-a-half years ago, focusing on keeping the American dream alive for all Americans and maintaining US leadership in the world as the strongest force for peace, freedom and prosperity.

He discussed his domestic agenda, describing efforts to put in place an economic strategy to create jobs and reduce the deficit, to increase investment in children through support of education and the environment, and support of a comprehensive anti-crime agenda. He stressed the importance of building a strong middle class and described efforts to reform welfare, saying "the biggest thing we have to do for all the people that have been trapped on welfare is to recreate the conditions that made immigrants successful in America."

The President acknowledged the participants' unique understanding of the importance of US engagement abroad. He thanked them for their support of the Administration's continued efforts to resolve problems in Northern Ireland, Cyprus, the Middle East, Bosnia, and its work on a measured expansion of NATO. He emphasized his commitment to work closely with Central Europe, announcing that he suggested that the First Lady travel there next month. "I've asked the First Lady to go to the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Poland, Romania and Slovakia to reaffirm the commitment of the United States with the people of Central and Eastern Europe -- and to the integrity and the independence of those peoples."

The President closed by saying: "I really believe the best days of this country are ahead of us. I believe that we can expand the American dream of opportunity to all Americans. But we have to have the tools to make progress and we have to have an attitude in the American people that understands that we cannot preserve what is special about America and withdraw from the world. You know that, you live that."

"And so I ask you in the weeks and months ahead to do what you can to become missionaries for that point of view to your friends and neighbors in the communities and states where you live. You can have a big impact on that. Because together we can create a world that has more opportunity and less slaughter than at any time in human history if we make the right decision and if we keep our eyes on the future and on our children."

At the White House program the first speaker was Richard W. Riley, Secretary of Education. He reminded the mostly-male audience that "we are the beneficiaries of our fathers' efforts and the parochial school education." He said that public schools are the catalysts of democracy and that we are in an education era. "There are 52 million children in

schools and the numbers are increasing. In the next 10 years there will be 10 to 15% more students in high schools. He considered President Clinton a serious friend of American children as he stated, "The President wants to make the classrooms safer and secure to raise educational standards, teach special skills and develop links between schools and the work place so that America's students will be better prepared for jobs of the future or for continuing their education."

The Family Involvement Partnership for Learning law, he said, is designed to get parents more involved in their children's education, offer positive solutions that are helping families and their children to gain the control and the skills necessary to deal with today's challenges by supporting bilingual education and learning the English language." Mr. Riley suggested that if parents spent 30 minutes with their children each day and shut off the TV set for a while, tremendous progress could be made in education.

The administration's program was further outlined by Mr. Riley: the streamlining of the college loan program while eliminating government waste thus saving taxpayers billions of dollars; and by offering college tuition tax credits plus a \$10,000 GI bill of Rights for education. A high school diploma or equivalency would qualify a student for \$1,500 of college cost and a 2.75, or B average, would qualify a second year education stipend of \$1,500. Illegal immigrants' children should also be eligible for education; it would be a poor public policy to deny those children public education. Although each state is responsible for education the federal government contributes but 7% to education and the federal government should subsidize those states who cannot afford it. The policy of giving credits for foreign language studies in private schools should be supported by the federal government but not vouchers for parochial schools. A balanced budget can be achieved in six years -- although 7.9 billion dollars more will be needed to cover the special education credits.

President Clinton signed six groundbreaking educational initiatives into law -- a cohesive set of programs that span from kindergarten through college -- in the first 21 months of his administration, due, in large part, to the efforts of Secretary Riley and his ability to build bipartisan coalitions.

Anthony Lake, assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, spoke next about the role that the US can play in the world. He noted the opportunity we have as leaders and the role of the President as the world leader. "It is not enough to have policies of pursuit of democracy in the Middle East and in Eastern Europe," he said, "one must have the money to back them up. To prevent terrorism and inter-ethnic conflicts, our voices could be crucial. We are all in the same boat." He noted that our entire spending on international issues is less than 2% of the total budget.

He separated the NATO issues from the Russian election. He said that Russia must respect the sovereignty of its neighbors and that Russia cannot claim to have veto power over NATO. In January 1994 President Clinton took steps to enlarge NATO. The terms were spelled out on the means to enact this process. The new states would have to meet the eligibility as to: 1) democratization and 2) military readiness. The US is on track as promised, he said, and if the US slowed down or speeded up too much we would miss our goal.

Individuals from the audience asked questions regarding their particular concerns. Mary Rose Oakar appealed for aid to Lebanon. Another individual complained about the Turkish presence in Cyprus after 20 years of bickering and dickering. A gentleman from the Irish community brought out a question of visa restriction for the IRA. On the Balkan question regarding Kosovo, Mr. Lake stated that there is a serious concern about another eruption and said that a special US envoy is there to monitor the situation. In 1996 the US gave \$80 million to Croatia for recovery and economic reconstruction. They now have some breathing space. The rapes and terrorism have ceased and efforts are being made to increase ties between all nations in the region for building a self-sustaining development.

In several references Mr. Lake cited Ukraine as a success story regarding nuclear disarmament and Russia's respect for the borders of Ukraine and her sovereignty.

At the DNC Mayflower Hotel program, a speaker of note at the luncheon was Senator Christopher Dodd, general chairman of the Democratic National Committee. In an animated and spirited manner he reminded those present that "the Democratic Party faces the important challenge of re-electing President Clinton and reclaiming a Democratic majority in Congress. America's diverse ethnic communities represent the strength of our nation. Ethnic America has helped shape the core values and principles for which the Democratic Party stands. It is important to us and vital to this administration that we have your support. Together we can move our party forward and keep America strong."

He reminisced about his father, a senator with strong anti-communist credentials, taking part in the Nuremberg trials. He related how his foreign affairs legislative aide, Bulkshu Veres, a Hungarian refugee who graduated from Harvard University, traveled with him to Hungary and Poland and showed the Hungarian communists what an immigrant could accomplish in America in just five years. He encouraged the assembled never to forget their ethnic heritage but to continue to gain strength from it.

An important development in the Democratic Party and the National Democratic Committee worth mentioning was the establishment of the National Democratic Ethnic Coordinating Committee (NDECC) in October 1995. This is a coalition of ethnic leaders representing fifteen different European and Mediterranean ethnic American communities. Two Ukrainians on this committee are Julian Kulas and Andrew Fedynsky. The work of the NDECC includes advising the Democratic Party on ethnic issues and insuring the participation of ethnic Americans at all levels of party activity.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 5, 1996

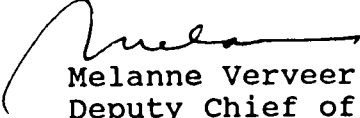
Jonathan Ortmans
President
The Forum Institute
1215 17th Street NW
Washington, DC 20036

Dear Jon,

Congratulations on your new endeavor, "The Public Forum Institute". Thank you for writing and sharing with us your new address, and for informing us of the goals of the Public Forum Institute.

Best wishes in the important work you do.

Sincerely yours,


Melanne Vermeer
Deputy Chief of Staff
to the First Lady

*It was
Good to
hear from you.*



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July 17, 1996

Ms. Melanne Verveer
Office of the First Lady
The White House
OEOP, Room 100
Washington DC 20500

Dear Melanne:

After nearly 20 years it is time for a change! On behalf of all the staff of the Columbia Institute, I am pleased to announce that we have re-structured to form a new organization, "**The Public Forum Institute**".

Over the nine years that I have served as Executive Director of the Columbia Institute, I have had the privilege to oversee a wide range of public policy research and education initiatives in all fifty states and overseas. After reviewing where we have made the greatest contribution to the development of good public policy, I have concluded that our resources and experience should be more sharply focused on public education and the development of comprehensive public policy forums.

The sound-bite revolution along with more and more elaborate "message campaigns" have left less room for impartial and comprehensive public analysis of national policy issues. To address this, **The Public Forum Institute** will be dedicated to developing techniques that facilitate non-partisan, independent public forums. As an Institute, it will share these ideas with both elected officials and other public and private leaders. It will serve the public on the premise that if decisions made in Washington are to be sustained, they must be based on an informed public.

All the staff from the Columbia Institute have formed the new organization bringing years of experience in health care, tax and trade policy, economic development and other community issues, energy and environmental policy, education and labor issues, and, of course, all the corresponding fund raising, media, and logistics skills so essential to an "event" planning group. In addition to moving forward with our own initiatives, these services will remain available to corporate public affairs offices, trade associations and public affairs firms.

I am proud to announce that we will be moving to a new building on August 1, 1996 and have attached a new card for your rolodex. If you want to learn more about the leading edge services we now offer, or if we can serve as a resource to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Ortman
President

*I would like to help.
Let me know what we can do.*

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 26, 1996

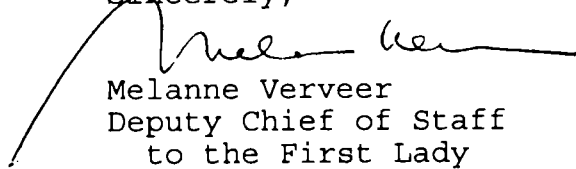
Mrs. Paul Pachowka
119 Morris Avenue
Wooldyn, PA 19094

Dear Mrs. Pachowka:

The First Lady asked me to thank you for your thoughtful card and clipping from the Chernobyl Chronicle. She is grateful for your kind words for her efforts on behalf of the children affected by the Chernobyl tragedy. As a Ukrainian-American, I can personally attest to Mrs. Clinton's continuing commitment.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff
to the First Lady



September 11, 1996
119 Morris Ave.
Woodlyn Pa 19094

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

A few weeks ago I received a letter from you thanking me for my support for several policies of President Clinton's. Grateful as I was to receive your letter the purpose of my letter was to thank YOU and for your support of the victims of Chornobyl. Included in my letter was a photo of you that appeared in an issue of the Ukrainian Weekly. Today's photo appeared in the recent issue of the Chornobyl Chronicle. Ukrainians and Ukrainian-Americans are ecstatic about your support. It seems a large part of the help and aid comes from non-Ukrainians. This aid is so representative of our country.

My sincere thanks also includes the sincere thanks of all Ukrainians. Hyphenated as well. We have all put our religious and political differences aside. Chornobyl's children come first.

Again, thank you.

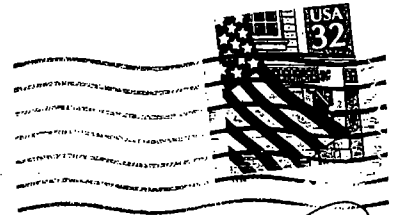
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Very truly yours,
Sophia Pachowka
Mrs. Paul Pachowka
119 Morris Ave.
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First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton meets with Alex Kuzma, CCRF Director of Development, and leukemia survivor Vova Malofienko at White House ceremony. Vova's plea inspired the First Lady to write a nationally syndicated column about Chernobyl relief missions.

Mrs. Paul Pachowka
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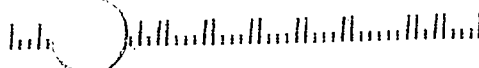
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Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20012



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September 13, 1996

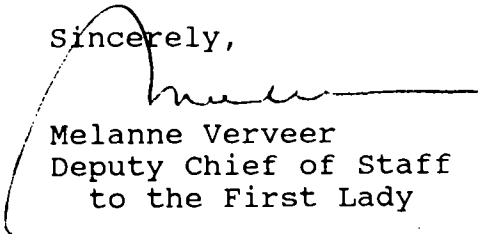
Mr. Marc Parent
426 Hudson Street, Apt. #2B
New York, NY 10014

Dear Marc:

Thank you for your Turning Stones. I have distributed the copies to the First Lady and Mrs. Gore. We look forward to reading your reflections and I know we will benefit from them. There are few more compelling issues than children at risk. It was kind of you to think of us.

Once again, thank you and best wishes.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff
to the First Lady

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MARC PARENT
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September 9, 1996

Melanne Verveer
Office of the First Lady
White House
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Washington D.C.

Melanne,

At the suggestion of Anna Quindlen, I am sending you two copies of my book TURNING STONES which will be released by Harcourt Brace this coming September 25th. Anna thought you would be the best person to get these into the hands of Hillary Clinton and Tipper Gore.

The book is a front-line account of my efforts to rescue children from serious injury and death during my four years as a child abuse investigator in New York City. I was moved to tell the story of the children I encountered to reveal the ways we succeed and fail them. The perspective is from the trenches, I'm no expert but I know what I saw. The children in these pages are real. They beg us, as we listen to their stories, to weigh their suffering on the same scales we would use for our own children.

I applaud the prominent voice given to America's children at the Democratic convention and hope that the information in this book will enrich and invigorate those who continue to speak out on their behalf.

Please do what you can to see that these books reach Ms. Clinton and Ms. Gore. The third one is for you and comes with my deepest thanks for your help. If needed, I can be reached at the phone number above. Best of luck in the fall campaign.

Sincerely,



Marc Parent

Melanne Verveer

Katy -
Can you pick
up the car
that's for
the signed

May 8, 1996

Ms Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff
Mrs. Clinton's Office
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear Melanne,

The positive reverberations from Mrs. Clinton's trip have not stopped. Since you were here, many Turkish friends and acquaintances have made it a point to tell me how much they appreciated Mrs. Clinton's and Chelsea's visit. The women at the "roundtable" discussion also continue to praise their meeting with Mrs. Clinton. Dr. Gokmen, the maternity hospital director, appeared at a lunch I gave the other day proudly wearing the pin Mrs. Clinton had sent her. Another participant in the discussion session also happened to be at my lunch, and she apologized for not wearing hers. She had put it in the safe deposit box while she was away on holiday and had not had time to retrieve it. It was clear that both ladies were thrilled with their souvenir of that day, and I'm sure the others were, too.

I am enclosing a few of the thank you letters Marc received from the students who were in the crowd at the American community event that first morning. I thought they might bring you a smile or two.

When I called recently on the wife of the Foreign Minister, Mrs. Gonensay told me that at some point when she met Mrs. Clinton, she had told Mrs. Clinton about her 18 month old American citizen granddaughter. Mrs. Gonensay would love to have a picture of Mrs. Clinton for her granddaughter, and asked if I could help her with such a request. Could I in turn ask your help with this? Mrs. Gonensay's granddaughter's name is Emine Ersoy. Could I impose on you to send me a picture inscribed to Emine? I would be very grateful. The easiest way to send something is via the APO:

Mildred Patterson
American Embassy Ankara
PSC 93, Box 500
APO AE 09823

or alternatively via the State Department in the diplomatic pouch.

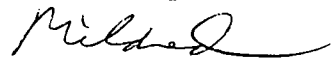
Mrs. Clinton's visit continues to be warmly remembered among the Embassy community as well, and your name is recalled with

particular respect and praise. We all enjoyed meeting you. I hope that you might have a chance to return to Turkey on your own sometime, so that you can enjoy some of the pleasures of Turkey in a more leisurely way.

Thank you in advance for helping me with Mrs. Gonensay's request, and please let me know if there's something I can do for you. I would truly be glad to return the favor.

Please give my best to Mrs. Clinton and Chelsea.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mildred".

Mildred Patterson

Dear Ambassador Grossman,

I would like to thank you very much for inviting us to your residence for the Hillary Rodham Clinton greeting. Mostly on occasions like this, schools and elementary classes are not invited because of the age differences. I really enjoyed shaking hands with Mrs. Clinton, the first lady of the United States of America. It was a bit chilly but it was worth it!

From a student from the George C. Marshall School,
Baris Yakin

Dear Ambassador Grossman,

Thank you very much for
inviting the George C. Marshall
school to see Mrs. Clinton. I'm
sure every one enjoyed seeing
her and shaking her hand. I
know I did! I am in 5th grade,
Mrs. McGill's class. It was very
kind of you to let a bunch
of loud children onto your
lawn to see the First Lady.
It was a day to remember!
Thank you!

Emily Gendrolis

Dear Ambassador Grossman,

I would like to thank you for inviting H.C.M. school to the ceremony, so we can meet Mrs. Hillary Clinton and her daughter. I really appreciate this because not much important people think about inviting kids to things like this. I know that most places kids can't go, but otherwise why not let us go. Once again I thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Pamela Brown

Dear Ambassador Grossman,

Thank you for letting me and my school come to see Mrs. Clinton. I am a 5th grader, my teacher's name is Ms. McGill, and I'm from Israel and if you did not let us come I could never see her. No one had ever thought about taking us to see someone so important, but you did.

Thank you,

Yarden Geva
George C. Marshall School

THE WHITE HOUSE
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July 31, 1996

Dr. Grazyna S. Pawlak
The Jewish Historical Institute Association
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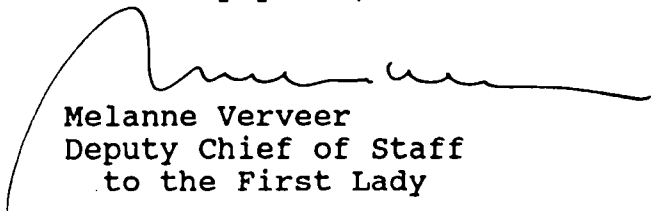
Dear Dr. Pawlak,

Mrs. Clinton asked me to thank you for your kind letter. The First Lady greatly enjoyed her visit to the Lauder Foundation's Educational Center and she appreciates your efforts to provide us with more information about the history of Polish Jews and your plans for the museum.

Please keep in touch with us as the time of your visit to the United States approaches. It is likely, however, that Mrs. Clinton will not be in Washington during much of the month of October.

Thank you again for writing and best wishes in all you do.

Sincerely yours,



Melanne Vermeer
Deputy Chief of Staff
to the First Lady

THE JEWISH HISTORICAL INSTITUTE ASSOCIATION OF POLAND

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July 15, 1996

Mrs. Hillary Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear Mrs. Clinton :

It was an honor and a very great personal pleasure to meet you here in Warsaw on the occasion of your visit to the Lauder Foundation Educational Center.

As the moderator of the Jewish Roundtable, I was unfortunately somewhat hindered in presenting to you the scope of our Project to Build a Museum of the History of Polish Jews; as we agreed, I am taking this opportunity to tell you a bit more.

To be erected in Warsaw, the capital of the country which until the Second World War was the greatest center of Jewish life in Europe, the Museum will present visually the major aspects of the history of Polish Jewry from its beginning in the Middle Ages until the present time. In telling its story, the Museum will utilize computerized, state-of-the-art multimedia technology. But more importantly, the Museum will develop appropriate educational activities as well as extensive outreach programs to carry its message far beyond the confines of the building itself.

By depicting all aspects of Jewish-Polish coexistence, both in periods of relative harmony and in periods of tension and conflict, the Museum will serve as a tool in the struggle against anti-Semitism and other manifestations of racial and ethnic prejudice. As Director of the Jewish Historical Institute Association of Warsaw, which initiated this project in 1994, I am convinced that our new initiative will take us significantly closer to our goal of developing among both Jews and non-Jews, Poles and non-Poles, a deeper awareness and appreciation of the blessings of an open society.

I am especially pleased to report that the City of Warsaw has granted the use of a parcel of land where the Museum will be built. The land is adjacent to the Warsaw Ghetto Fighter's Monument, one of the greatest memorials of Polish Jewry. In this way, the Museum will serve as a fitting testament to the Polish Jews who perished in the Holocaust.

The Project enjoys strong international support. The International Honorary Committee is led by the Honorable Chaim Herzog, former President of Israel, and chaired by Ambassador Ronald S. Lauder, Mr. Miles Lerman, the Chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, also sits on this Committee, along with many other international figures.

As we are an NGO, we have begun to form Associations of Friends in specific countries to benefit from tax-deductible status. In the United States we have recently registered such a group. In Germany, local Association enjoys the patronage of President Roman Herzog, and Ambassador Bertele is its President. We are now in the process of establishing similar entities in other countries. We believe that understanding among nations is achieved by cooperation to develop and realize concrete projects; such projects, by building respect for the history of our shared system of values, can open the doors for the next generation to live side by side without prejudice.

Mrs. Clinton, I was very moved by your sensitive reaction to the stories of the young Jews who were present at our session. For me, too, the life of young people has special significance. My mother was 13 when the Second World War started; suddenly, without warning, she was forced to become an adult, smuggling food for her family in the Jewish ghetto. My father, a non-Jew, met her when she was 15, and saved her life from the Nazi terror, shielding her identity and helping her struggle. He fell in love with her, under the impression that she was older than she really was; to guarantee her safety, she chose not to reveal the truth.

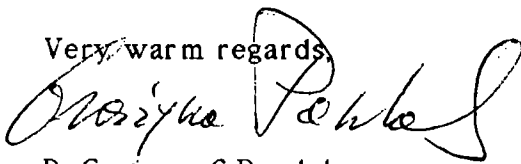
When I was growing up, my mother, to help fill vacuum left in her own life, was hungry to know everything about my "sweet adolescent times". This experience makes me feel very close to young people - I know how important this age is for them.

After the war, my father became a teacher of history in a high school, and from him I learned a great deal about Jewish history in Poland. My mother could not tell me her history; it was too painful for her. Because, in part, of who I am, I believe it is my duty to perpetuate my dual heritage; my father's historical openness, my mother's Jewish family traditions.

I would welcome the opportunity to meet with you in October when I will be in the U.S. to get together with our American supporters. I would be especially honored to speak with small groups whom you might designate as significant to our project's cultural and educational goals.

I am grateful for your time, and I remain a very deep admirer of your role as a champion of women around the world who aspire to achieve something for humanity.

Very warm regards,



Dr. Grażyna S. Pawlak

cc: Ambassador and Mrs. Nicholas Rey

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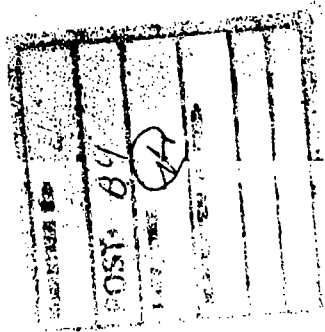
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Mrs. Hillary Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC



THE WHITE HOUSE
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October 25, 1996

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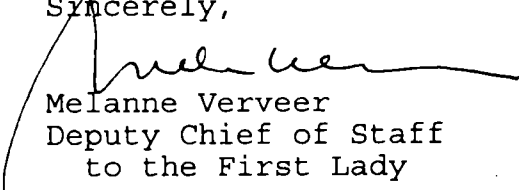
Dear Ms. Perrin:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you for your letter and for your kind words. Mrs. Clinton was very impressed by her visit to the Power Center and applauds the efforts of the Hermann Hospital to expand the delivery of affordable and accessible healthcare through the community based network.

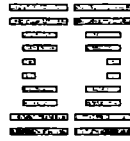
The First Lady cannot recommend specific projects for federal grants, but wishes you and your colleagues the best in your important work.

Thank you for writing and best wishes.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff
to the First Lady



HERMANN
September 10, 1996

Handwritten notes and signatures:
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J. G. ...
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Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

I was pleased to have the opportunity to meet with you last week during your recent trip to Houston to tour the Power Center. As Chairman of the Board of Trustees at Hermann Hospital, a primary sponsor of the Power Center, I was delighted to have you see first hand the progress the center is making toward bringing affordable and accessible health care to its patients.

It is the intention of the Power Center and Hermann Hospital to replicate this clinic in several areas throughout the Greater Houston region as an important component of Hermann Hospital's effort to implement the Greater Houston Community Health Network. The Greater Houston Community Health Network is comprised of three "life components" that link our community to critically needed health care resources, particularly for the underserved and non-resource patients. LifeNET, LifeLINK and Life FLIGHT each represent programs designed to expand neighborhood services and education and training, including a concentration on women's and children's programs, telecommunications and medical information linkages, and trauma care. This community-based Network of targeted health programs is a unique demonstration which will serve as a model for providing accessible and affordable health care to all Americans in various health settings across the nation.

As you may know, Hermann Hospital is a nationally recognized private health care institution that operates with a very public mission. As the largest non-governmental provider of charity care in the State of Texas, Hermann Hospital remains a vital resource in Houston that, like the Network it is establishing, is dedicated to quality health care that excels in basic primary care, emergency and trauma services, and related specialty programs, particularly those affecting women and children.

Over the past several months, Hermann Hospital has been working through Congressman Ken Bentsen and other members of the Houston Congressional Delegation to identify opportunities to win federal funding support for the implementation of this Network. Congressman Bentsen and others have identified two potential opportunities to support Hermann Hospital's efforts in this area. The first is an "Economic Development Initiative" grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The second option is a "Public Works" grant from the Economic Development Administration. In an effort to establish a truly public-private partnership with the federal government that will provide affordable and meaningful health care to the at-risk community of Houston,

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Hillary Rodham Clinton
September 10, 1996
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Hermann Hospital has dedicated nearly \$170 million to redesign its health care and community service to this region, including the construction of a new patient facility representing the largest health facility construction project in the southwestern United States and generating more than 700 new jobs in Texas. To support this effort, Hermann Hospital is seeking a start-up grant of \$5 million from one of the aforementioned agencies of the Federal Government to support the implementation of this Network.

Mrs. Clinton, your dedication to assuring that all Americans have access to quality and affordable health care is legendary, and is certainly appreciated by many of us who try to meet those same goals as part of our own professions. I am hopeful that what you saw in Houston will be useful to you as you continue your mission to realize a healthier America over the next four years. Certainly, I want to thank you for your interest in the Power Center and to make you aware of our interest in establishing a partnership with the Federal Government. I would hope that should you see Hermann Hospital's Greater Houston Community Network as a positive development toward this goal, you might be supportive with the Department of Housing & Urban Development or the Economic Development Administration in our efforts to secure a discretionary grant this year.

Again, it was an honor and a privilege to have met with you during your recent visit to Houston. Your visit to the Power Center was certainly an inspiration to all of us involved in that project and to all of us actively engaged in seeking better ways to deliver more appropriate, more affordable, and more accessible health care services to America's families.

Sincerely,



Melinda Hill Perrin
Chairman, Board of Trustees

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June 4, 1996

Frank D. Peto Ph.D.
3424 S. Mac Gregor Way
Houston, TX 77021-1230

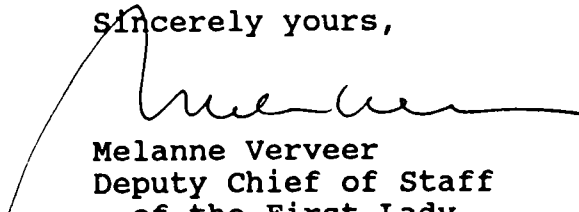
Dear Mr. Peto,

Thank you for your letter and for inviting Mrs. Clinton to be a speaker at the dedication of the Joseph Kovacs Memorial in Hungary.

Regretfully, due to a schedule conflict she will be unable to be out of the country at that time.

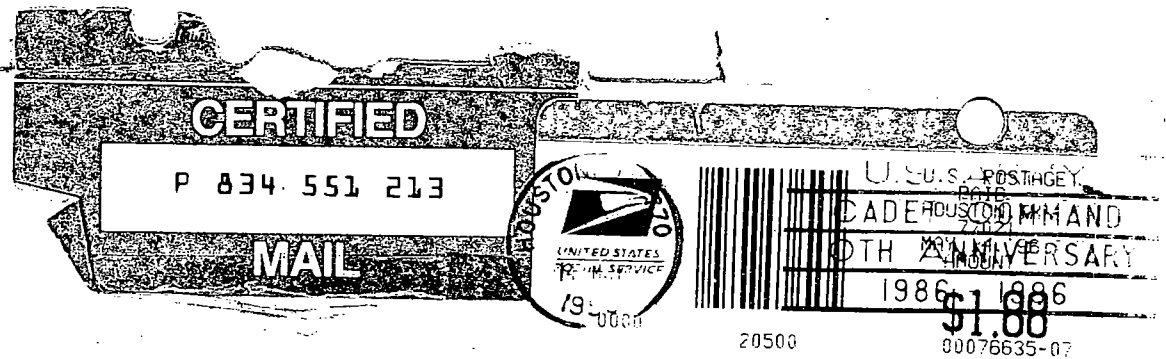
Thank you for writing and congratulations on this significant event and tribute to a great patriot and to freedom.

Sincerely yours,

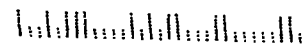
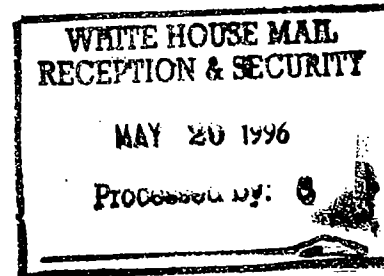


Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff
of the First Lady

Frank D. Peto, Ph.D.
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Mrs. Hillary R. Clinton
c/o Exec. Asst. Capricia Marshall
The White House
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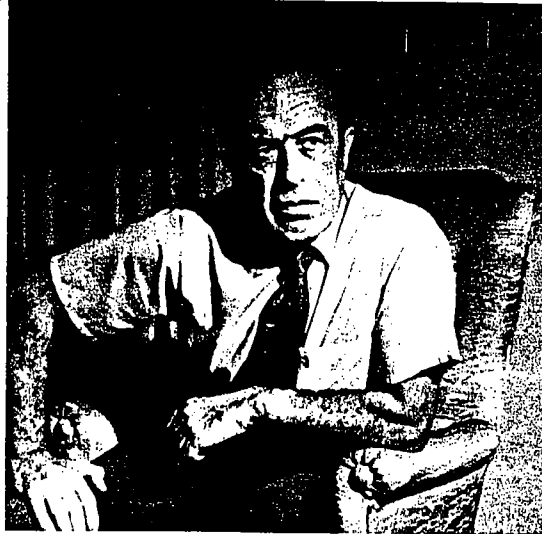
Melanne —

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FRANK PETO RUNS FOR
IN 72. HE IS READY TO
SMALL GROUPS IN YOUR HOME.
DATE CALL 747-2767.

1972 elections



The founder of THE SOPHOCRATIC PARTY OF THE U.S.A., and the father of Sophocracy ("The rule of the best thoughts"), Frank Peto, was born in Hungary, the land of never ending freedom fights.

Educated in philosophical studies, he received a Ph.D. from the Francis Joseph University in Szeged and a post-doctorate Diploma of Superior Philosophical Studies at the University of Paris, France, La Sorbonne.

In 1940, on the day following his graduation he joined the French Army, as a volunteer, to fight Hitler.

After World War II, he returned to Soviet-occupied Hungary to witness and combat oppression. As there was a chance to protest inhumanity and enslavement during the short stay of the Allied Control Commission in his land, he became the Secretary General of the Liberty Party for Southern Hungary. He organized numerous meetings and rallies where, in the face of Communist police and party shock-troop-brutalities, time and again, he had to fight with his people for life.

After the dissolution of the party he was arrested by three secret policemen but managed to escape to the West.

In 1950 he found a haven in the U. S.

For years, thereafter, he lived the lives of many struggling Americans. In succession, he was a laborer, an assembly line worker, a lathe-operator, a salesman and a consulting psychologist.

In 1954 he moved to Houston, Texas, where from 1956 until 1959 he taught at Lamar Senior High School.

He obtained his American citizenship in 1956.

Since 1961 he has been a professor at Texas Southern University, Houston, Texas.

AMERICAN CREDO

One among so many, I am the part of all.

Let it be told aloud, America is great for little things do make her grand.

A house built of many bricks, White and Red, Black and Yellow, home of the common man and shop for shaping uncommon virtues.

A land of pilgrims and refugees, laid upon the rock of faith to frighten forever tyrants and to pale inquisitors.

A race of pioneers, blazing always new trails to the limit of freedom and not beyond the respect for each other.

I, who am called a citizen, heed the language of justice and try the path of truth.

My food is good and plenty, enough to be shared with those who hunger.

My gold rings temptation but the whisper of my conscience speaks for me louder.

As a master of my own, I am the servant of the whole.

As a ruler of none, I am followed if devoted to all.

All human things, good and just, do I love but hate the darkness and the chains.

The freedom of my thought fosters the goodness of my deeds, and may my deeds spring from sources Infinite and Eternal.

My credo that all men are created equal may last until all men will be made good.

Long is my way, I am always called for searching and I wander. If it need be, may I go even beyond the call of my duty.

For Hillary Clinton

Frank Peto

with regards Frank Peto (1996)

FRANK D. PETO, PH.D.

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Mrs. Hillary R. Clinton
c/o Capricia R. Marshall
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C. 20500

HOUSTON, TX May 12, 1996

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

On the 40th anniversary of the great events of universal freedom, the Hungarian Revolution of 1956, the city of Szeged, Hungary, Csongrad county and the Szentgyörgyi Medical school in Szeged will dedicate a memorial to the young poet, JOSEPH KOVÁCS who died as martyr for the sacred cause of Liberty in that uprising.

I came to know Joseph, the second year medical student in 1946 as the Secretary General of the Freedom Party for Southern Hungary. We fought together the communist oppression till our arrests in 1948. (See copy of TIME, June 30, 1947)

I, the luckier, could escape from the hands of 3 Secret Police Agents but Joseph was captured, tortured and thrown to prison for 6 years. Later, in 1958, he was sent to the gallows as the Vice President of the National Liberation Council of Szeged

In 1950 I came to the U.S.A as a political refugee and close to half a century I did live in Houston, TX. I retired from Texas Southern University as a professor.

In the eighties I set up a foundation in Hungary with the determination of raising a monument to Joseph Kovács. This year my plan became reality. The city of Szeged, Csongrad County and the Medical School have embraced the memorial. During my stay in Hungary this spring I gave the Commission to a sculptor,

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FRANK D. PETO, PH.D.

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named, Marton Kalmár to construct the bronze monument.

Dear Mrs. Clinton: knowing your dedication to great human causes, also being aware of your deep sensitivity toward those who suffered or went beyond the call of duty, we, the municipality of Szeged, Csongrád County, the Szentgyörgyi Medical school and myself, the initiator,

herewith invite you to be our honored Speaker at the dedication of the Joseph Kovács memorial, ~~to be~~ held in Szeged, Hungary on the 40th anniversary of the Hungarian Revolution of 1956 on October 23, 1996. (Should you already have commitment on that day, the ceremony could be held on any day between Oct. 23-27)

The official invitation by the organizers will be sent to you, with further details, as soon as the day of dedication of the memorial will have been decided by you.

With kind regards,

Enclosures

Frank D. Peto

IN ONE DROP THE OCEAN,

IN ONE MAN THE REVOLUTION.

The 1956 Hungarian Revolution was unique in the history of mankind. Without any indication, let alone preparation, a lightning from blue sky, it exploded with unheard of vehemence in the largest slave-empire of the world, Soviet Russia.

By its nature, it became the first existential revolution in which history's eternal sufferers, the oppressed, exploited, tortured, humiliated, even to mass-murder-doomed victims, the HUMAN, was crying for life.

A small nation, 10 million Hungarians, mostly youngsters, men and women, in a death-defying self-sacrifice, for 10 glorious days defeated the world's greatest military might and forced the enslavers to retreat. For lack of resolve and saturated with moral nihilism, the West, while shedding its flood-like crocodile tears, ringing its powerless fists, abandoned those who fought for its very freedom and future survival.

Today, four decades later, historians and perhaps a few far-sighted politicians see what the common citizen knew in 1956: that the Hungarians shattered the so called moral (?) claim of communism, to be the wave of the future by driving the most fatal nail into the casket of Marxism - Leninism - Stalinism.

The sudden and unexpected collapse of the Soviet Empire could not have happened without the 1956 Hungarian Revolution and the growing resistance to slavery in Eastern Europe. Between 1945 and 1989 the flame of freedom in the land of the slaves, despite bloody reprisals, were, here and there, kept alive. The blood of martyrs and heroes did not stop to feed the scanty harvest of freedom, not just politics but that of life.

Let us unfold just one human drama before our eyes: as in one drop we find the ocean, in one man the saga of a Revolution.

Joseph Kovacs was a second year medical student when he heard a clarion call for freedom. After the Small Holder Party, the winner of the only free election behind the Iron Curtain, was smashed by the Hungarian dictator Rakosi in 1946, Dezso Sulyok, a former high official of that party, has decided to fight for freedom of his country, with the flag of the Szabadsag (freedom) Party. As the

Secretary General of this organization for Southern Hungary, I met Joseph in the summer of 1946. Since all of our meetings were broken up by specially trained thugs, armed with chains, brass knuckles, and clubs, we had to protect, at least, our speakers. With his young friends, Joseph Kovacs was trusted with this very dangerous assignment. We had meetings upon meetings in Southern Hungary, and we had to pay dearly for every word we uttered. At those meetings unbelievable things happened. We were overrun again and again by 100 to 150 strong shock troops while we were no more than 10 - 20 people. Driven to the corners, the few of us not only survived but also routed, in the majority of cases, the attackers. The price was high, for after meetings the police always arrested our people who were imprisoned and tortured.

Joseph Kovacs, the leader of our self-defense unit had the lion's share and carried the heaviest burden of our meetings. In this endeavor he never blinked or wavered. His tragic downfall started with our Szeged rally in the summer of 1947.*On this occasion, the communists wanted to beat the 'hell out of the' seven hundred strong gathering. Hours before the meeting they placed a 150 armed detachment in the ballroom of the Hotel Tisza. Since we knew well their tactics, I invited some representatives of the foreign press from Budapest to document and photograph the meeting for the international press.

Fractions of a second before the shock troop started to run us down, we grabbed the initiative, and with Joseph at the head, we flung against them. Confused, the thugs broke up and fled.

A few months after the Szeged rally the communist Secret Police arrested Joseph Kovacs. For almost two days they tortured him with all the available instruments of the Red inquisition. He lost his consciousness dozens of times. They revived him with buckets of cold water. In the deadly intermezzo of this torture, Joseph defiantly refused to sign a confession. When the Secret Police realized they had to kill their victim to break him, they ceased the torment. Later, in a secret 'kangaroo court' proceeding, they sentenced him to prison for 6 years of hard labor. In 1953 Imre Nagy replaced Rakosi as Prime Minister, and Joseph Kovacs was liberated. Since he could not continue his medical studies, he became a tractor driver.

In the 1956 revolution, the people of Szeged remembered their hero and elected him Vice President of the National Liberation Council. To document the unwavering humanity of Joseph Kovacs let me flash back to an event to show his moral strength. The people of Szeged captured about 40 Communist Secret Agents and started to lynch them. Joseph, without hesitating a moment, at the risk of his life,

*see copy of Time Magazine, June 30, 1947

disarmed the would-be executioners and dragged all the Secret Agents to the Csillag Prison, thus saving their lives.

The defeat of the 1956 Hungarian Revolution sealed the fate of Joseph Kovacs. Sentenced anew in a secret trial to death by hanging, he spent two more years in prison, where in all likelihood he was tortured again and again.

On October 6, 1958, a sad anniversary of an other Hungarian freedom fight event, the defeat of Lajos Kossuth's 1848-49 revolution. Joseph Kovacs started his last eternal freedom march toward his garrote in the company of a single prison guard.

His last words were: "I am dying for my country and the freedom of my people."

The climate of fear was such in Hungary in 1958 that neither his mother nor his fiancée dared to go to his death cell to bid him good-bye.

And as in an old Greek tragedy, Joseph's mother lost her mind upon the death of her son.

Frank D. Rto

on makes them highly vulnerable to Red attacks on their supply lines.

Many Chinese in Nanking, however, thought there was an even graver reason for the improved military prospects of the Chinese Communists. They were convinced that, almost step by step with U.S. withdrawal of aid, Soviet Russia was expressing her support of the Chinese Reds in more & more tangible ways—specifically, that Russia is sending supplies (still limited) through Outer Mongolia.

Potomac Mandarins. U.S. leftists and liberals like to point to Sun Fo, Vice President of China and son of revered Revolutionist Sun Yat-sen, as a model statesman who tolerates Chinese Communism. But last week even Sun Fo was fed up. Said he: "The loss of Manchuria [by] the Government would mean . . . a major world problem. Another world war may have already begun, just as when the Japanese began the conquest of Manchuria."

Sun Fo added: "I do not see how the United States could maintain its neutrality or be a bystander. Manchuria would become an appendage of Soviet power, and in five or ten years could be built up as a base from which to conquer the rest of China." What China needed, said Dr. Sun, was immediate large-scale aid and military supplies from the U.S.

But Washington, full of gloom about the Chinese situation, was still deadlocked in a bureaucratic row over the loan to China, as it had been for 18 months. One of the conditions asked by those delaying the loan in Washington was that the Nationalist Government clean out Chinese bureaucratic incompetents who could not get things done.

HUNGARY

Next!

Apparently the anti-Communist fathers of the Hungarian Republic never heard of what Ben Franklin said about hanging together. In any event, they did not, and so they were, in a political sense, hanging separately.

Instead of making a united stand against Communist domination or refusing to take office as long as the Red Army dictated government policies, they allowed themselves to be cut down one by one. President Zoltan Tildy, for instance, hung on even after Premier Ferenc Nagy was exiled in a coup that combined ideology with kidnapping (TIME, June 9). Tildy's reward was that he was called up next.

A Communist-sponsored Government White Paper last week implicated Tildy in "the conspiracy against Hungarian democracy." At the same time it accused the British of encouraging a Habsburg restoration. Tildy still denied any uneasiness; he was quietly fishing in Lake Balaton last week, and telling callers: "I will not resign, I never intended to resign, I never attempted to resign." In spite of these protestations, he was, in fact, trying



Associated Press

COMMUNISTS BREAK UP A MEETING AT SZEGED
Political luxuries: guards, free speech and eggs.

to flee the country of which he was President.

If he made it, one of the few prominent non-Communists left in Budapest would be Arpad Szakasits, the Social Democratic leader. Nobody tried harder to get along with the Communists than Arpad. He even called a meeting of Eastern European Socialists last month for the purpose of making Red faces at Western European Socialists.

Last week Arpad was not even waiting for Tildy to get out of the barber's chair. Arpad was making discreet inquiries at a Western European legation in Budapest. He wanted to know if the legation would give him political asylum in event of "a radical deterioration of the situation."

"Munkások Egyesüljetek!"

What does it mean when an orator says "in Russia's sphere of influence the civil liberties of non-Communists are suppressed?" Last week TIME Correspondent Robert Low was in Szeged, a south Hungarian town famous for paprika and embroidered slippers, when Communist suppression became a dramatic reality. Low cabled:

A gusty wind, sweeping up from the Banat plain across the Yugoslav frontier, seemed to heighten the nervous tension in the town. It snapped at the shawls and embroidered blouses of the peasants, sent newspapers and political handbills scurrying around the huge square in clouds of dust. Slowly, the crowd gathered around the old-fashioned, three-storied brownstone hotel at the corner of the square. From windows the loudspeakers monotonously blared out the announcement: "At

6 o'clock, a meeting of the Freedom Party."

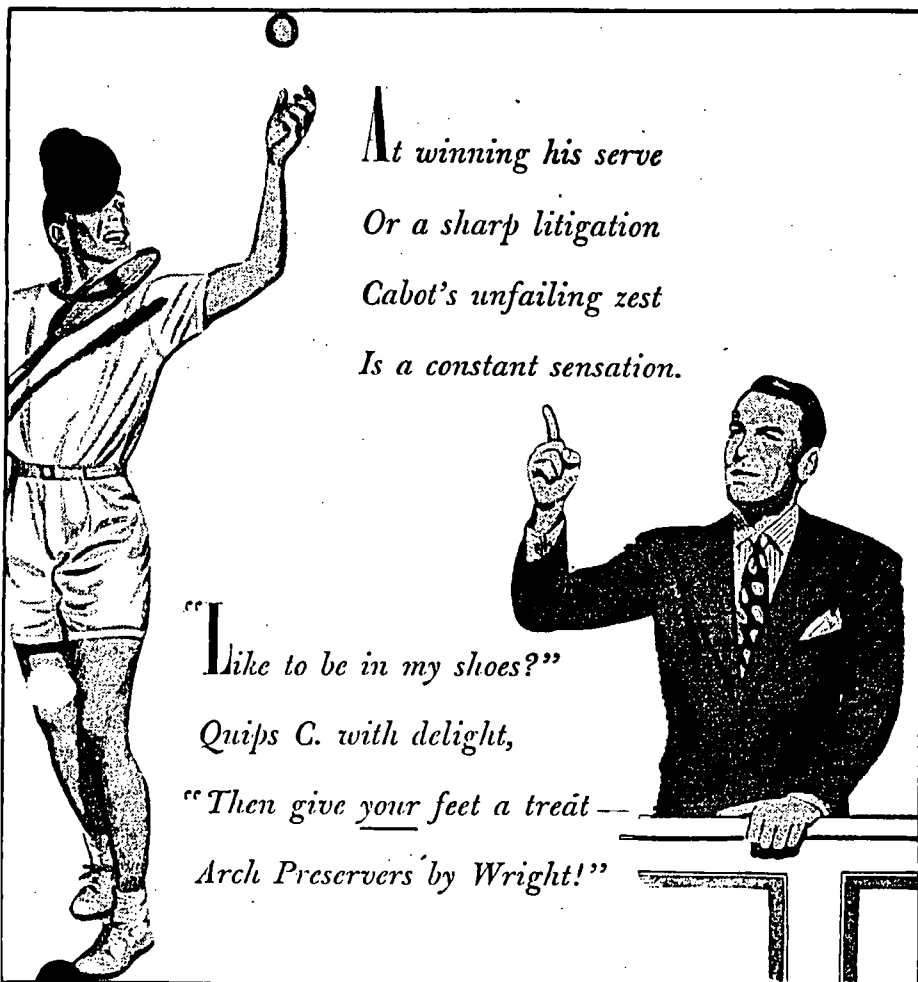
At a marble-topped table, in an unswept, musty café, I sat discussing the meeting with the three anti-Communist members of Parliament who were scheduled to speak that evening. One of them, tall, hawk-nosed Vince Nagy, former Minister of Interior in the Károlyi Government after World War I (no kin to exiled Premier Ferenc Nagy), said: "A few days ago when [Dezső] Sulyok, head of our party, said in Parliament there was no freedom of speech in Hungary today, the Communists called him a liar. Now we'll see."

Fifteen minutes later he had his answer.

Surplus Food. Seven hundred people—peasants, workmen, other townspeople—jammed the hotel's auditorium to capacity. On the stage, the speaker's table was covered with the green, white and red of the Hungarian national colors picked out in wild flowers. Everything looked peaceful enough. But the local secretary of the Freedom Party was worried. As he took me into the box overlooking the auditorium, he said: "Yesterday the Communists sent down a truckload of agitators from Budapest to organize things for this meeting." He pointed out a group of 150 men bunched together, halfway down the side aisle. They looked tough, all right.

"We've asked the police to maintain order," he said, "but they say they'll only intervene if there is trouble. And if we organized the guards, they would accuse us of using fascist methods. The guards are a political luxury that only the Communists and left-bloc parties can afford."

When the three M.P.s walked on to the



*At winning his serve
Or a sharp litigation
Cabot's unfailing zest
Is a constant sensation.*

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stage, they got a rousing welcome. But as Nagy stepped up to the microphone and started to speak, his first words were drowned out by shouts from leather-lunged Communists: "Long live Stalin; long live Rakosi."

Immediately came the crowd's response: "Long live the Hungarian Republic. Long live freedom."

Unruffled, Nagy began again: "I appeal to the Communists who came here to break up this meeting. . . ." He was answered with a shower of eggs from the Communists.

It takes a good man to find the *mot juste* at a moment like that, but Nagy was up to it. He cracked: "I am pleased to see that the Communists find the food situation in Hungary good enough to use fresh eggs for political activities."

Suddenly the public-address system went dead, the lights went out. The main power switch for the district had been pulled. And that seemed to be a prearranged signal. Like a well-trained football formation, the Communists began pressing toward the speaker's stand, shouting: "*Munkások egyesüljétek!*" (Workers unite!). It had the cadence of: "We want a touchdown."

Out came blackjacks and brass knuckles. Two Freedom Party men went down under the onslaught. A roar went up from the crowd; in a moment hundreds of people were bearing down on the Communists, brandishing chairs over their heads (*see cut*). One man went crashing through the glass to the ground, two floors below. Fury flamed up, then died out like a flash of powder. A couple of dozen casualties lay on the floor.

But the Communists were forced out of the hall. A cheer went up from the crowd; the unbroken chairs were put back into place. The meeting would go on.

You Can't Win. The Freedom Party secretary came dashing into my box. His eye was cut and his mouth was bleeding, but he shouted triumphantly: "We've taught the bastards a lesson—we've won."

But he spoke too soon. The Communists were back, and with them the grey uniformed police, rifles at the ready. One Freedom Party man who attempted to defend himself from a renewed attack by a blackjack-wielding Communist was promptly arrested.

On to the platform stepped a fat colonel of police: "In the interests of public order this meeting is closed."

While the injured were being carried out, the police calmly proceeded to arrest the "disturbers of peace" pointed out to them by the Communists.

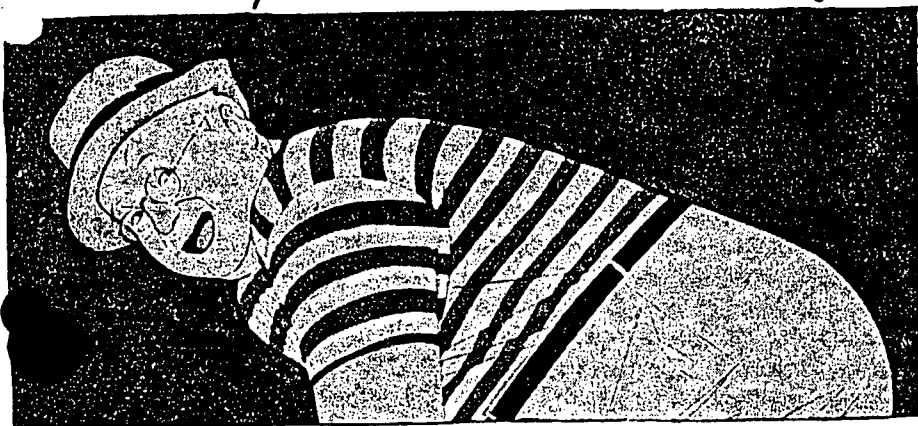
When Nagy and two other deputies appeared in the window of the hotel overlooking the square, a tremendous cheer went up from the crowd that had gathered there. But this was a short-lived victory, too. The police colonel spoke again: "I warn you, if you appear anywhere in public, I'll arrest you for attempting to incite a riot."

Soon a hundred police were in the square dispersing the crowd of 8,000. They first drove a wedge down the center, then

When you're one down on
the final hole



And a chip shot straight
to the pin means the money



Boy, oh boy! — how an Acushnet
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divided halves into quarters, until each group was small enough to deal with individually.

Finally someone said: "No free speech—but a lesson in tactics."

SPAIN

A Matter of Conscience

"Spain is a festering sore on the conscience of the Western powers." So writes Emmet John Hughes in the best-informed book* yet published on post-civil-war Spain. The present U.S. attitude toward Franco, says Author Hughes, "can only hasten the likelihood of civil war and facilitate the rapid growth of Communism in Spain. . . . The Western democracies have failed to evolve and express a clear, purposeful policy that would free Spain's democratic forces from the deadly Fascist-Communist cross fire in which they have been placed."

Part of this cross fire comes from the Falange police state which can refuse jobs to all workers suspected of opposition to the Falange, which keeps some 150,000 political prisoners behind bars, and extends its power into every home in Spain. The common denominator of the Falange's unruly elements is power, and so it is not surprising then that the Falange has turned Spain into a huge guardhouse.

Yet the Falange is not all-powerful. The Army and the Church hate and fear it. The three are held in uneasy alliance by the consummate skill of that underestimated little dictator, Francisco Franco, and by the inept and purely verbal opposition of the democracies.

Hughes points out that Army, Church and Falange stood together in the civil war, and that, therefore, any democratic opposition based on the origin of the Franco regime merely reminds these three very different forces of what they have in common. Democratic action against the Spanish Government based on its present practices might have the effect of widening the split between Army, Church and Falange. As long as the three institutions support Franco, the Spanish people (80% of whom Hughes marks down as opposing the regime) has little chance of liberation.

Hughes's first book, *The Church and the Liberal Society*, was a book-of-the-month choice of the Catholic Book Club; Hughes is now a TIME correspondent in Rome. He spent four wartime years as press attaché of the U.S. Embassy in Madrid. He thinks that economic sanctions by the Western powers, and not "international sermons," will bring Franco's downfall. The Communists throughout the world clamor for an economic embargo against Spain; Author Hughes does not believe them. His opinion is that the Kremlin wants the democracies to leave Franco in power only until the day comes when the Spanish people rise under Communist leadership (not now predominant in the underground) and engulf Army, Church, Falange—and the gateway to the Mediterranean.

* *Report from Spain*, by Emmet John Hughes; Henry Holt & Co. (\$3).

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 15, 1996

Christopher Peterson
470 Parker Avenue
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Dear Mr. Peterson,

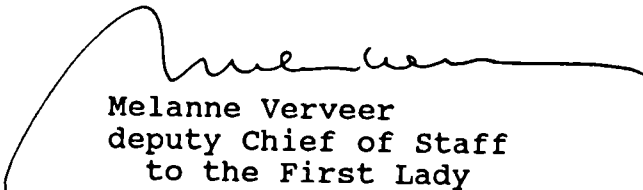
Thank you for your letter and invitation for Mrs. Clinton to visit the Bridges for Education project in Lukow, Poland during her recent visit to Central Europe.

The First Lady greatly appreciates the important work you do on behalf of promoting international understanding through education.

Regrettably, due to time constraints, the First Lady was unable to visit the Lukow project.

Thank you for writing and best wishes in the important work you do.

Sincerely yours,



Melanne Verveer
deputy Chief of Staff
to the First Lady

Respond

470 Parker Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14216-2107
(716) 837-4839
June 22, 1996

Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mrs. Clinton,

After reading in the newspaper about your trip to Poland this summer, I felt that it would be a good idea to write to you. As a member of the non-profit group Bridges for Education, about twelve teachers and I will be going to Lukow, Poland. Bridges for Education was begun several years ago by a small group of teachers from Western New York. The purpose of this organization is to teach English while at the same time promoting American culture. It has since expanded to include many foreign language camps throughout Eastern Europe.

Lukow is a town between Warsaw and Lublin. We will be teaching English to about one hundred Polish students at a summer camp. These students speak English to varying degrees, and are between the ages of 14 and 20. We will be teaching for three weeks, from July 8-26. I would like to extend an invitation to you to visit our school and to see first-hand the goodwill that is generated by such a program.

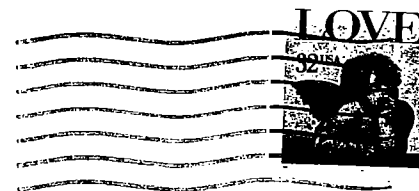
If your schedule allows, I am sure you will find this program interesting. It is an example of how people can work together, without government support, to promote understanding between cultures. I would be happy to answer any questions you might have.

Sincerely yours,

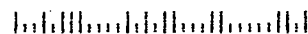
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November 7, 1996

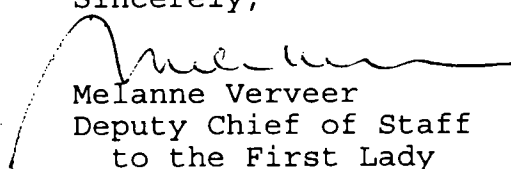
Mr. John J. Pikarski, Jr.
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Gordon and Pikarski
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Dear John:

The First Lady asked me to thank you for your thoughtful letter and for the wonderful buttons you sent. We all greatly appreciate the leadership role you have played in the Polish-American community.

Thank you for writing and best wishes.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff
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October 21, 1996

Ms. Melanne Verveer
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Dear Melanne:

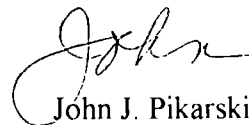
I thought you might like to have the enclosed buttons. Perhaps Mrs. Clinton would enjoy having one as a memento. I had these made up in conjunction with a Polish American fundraiser my wife and I hosted in Chicago today in support of the Clinton/Gore ticket.

The event was a true success and a milestone in Polish American political history. Never before has the Polish American community united to raise funds for either national political party. Over 115 prominent Polish Americans were in attendance including many successful business men and women who immigrated here in the '80s. This group seems very interested in becoming politically active and having their children become involved in American politics.

Jolene M. Molitoris, a Polish American and Administrator of the U. S. Department of Transportation of the Federal Railroad Administration, represented the White House. She gave a great speech and hit on topics of interest to the community. Tom Albert from the DNC also came in from Washington to join us.

I hope this signals the beginning of an era of political activism for Polonia. Please enjoy the buttons. If I can ever be of help to you or the First Lady, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,



John J. Pikarski, Jr.
National Chair
United Polonia

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 12, 1996

Ms. Nancy Prager-Kamel
Boskoff-Prager Group, Ltd.
50 East 72nd Street
New York, NY 10021

Dear Ms. Kamel, *Nancy*

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you for your kind letter of congratulations. We are grateful for your continuing thoughtfulness and advice. We look forward to working with you on issues of mutual concern, particularly UNICEF, in the months ahead.

Thanks for writing and best wishes.

Sincerely,

*Happy
Holidays!*

Melanne
Melanne Verveer
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DATE: 6 November 1966

TO: Hillary Clinton - courtesy of:
COMPANY : Melanne Vermeer (Office of the First Lady)
Fax no. : 1 202 456 6244

FROM: Nancy Präger-Kamel

TEXT:

Obviously I am one of the millions to congratulate both you and President Clinton. I know you will expand all the profound and substantial works that you have been dedicated to. I sincerely offer my assistance in any area - national or international - concerning women and children. I will stay in touch, as you requested, after the breakfast. on April 4

Very truly yours
Nancy Kamel

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 31, 1996

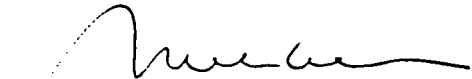
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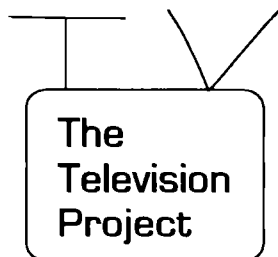
Thank you for your letter and for
sending us copies of Beyond TV. We
appreciate the important work you do.

Thanks again for writing. Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,



Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff
of the First Lady



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Changing the way Americans use television.

May 24, 1996

Ms. Melanne Verveer
1600 Pennsylvania Ave Rm. 100
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Verveer,

You told me to send you copies of everything we produce. Here are:

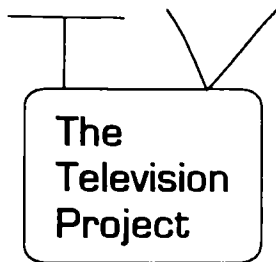
- 2 copies of Beyond TV with the excerpt from *It Takes A Village* that was approved for reprinting,
- the one page flyer publicizing the Open Space event in June, and,
- the letter we are sending with the Open Space flyer and our basic Television Project brochure to all the schools and church groups we can reach in the greater Washington area.

Should you wish to have more copies of Beyond TV, please ask for them. Please feel free to copy the Open Space publicity pieces and pass them on to whomever might be interested.

This comes with best wishes.

Sincerely,


Annamarie Pluhar
Executive Director



Changing the way Americans use television.

May 23, 1996

Dear Friend and Colleague,

Many people today who work with children and youths are aware that television has a major influence on our young people.

Many of us are upset about the content of television shows and the exposure to a value system that emphasizes material things over community. Many of us worry that the time children spend "glued to the tube" displaces other activities. We all know that parents truly struggle to "keep it all together".

What can be done?

It is time for a movement. It is time for citizens to figure out how to correct the imbalance that forces corporate executives to be more interested in money than in the welfare of our children. It is time to teach parents that television is a force to be used with utmost care.

Do I have an opinion about this? Of course, for this reason I am putting my time and energy into creating The Television Project.

Do I have THE answer? No. Nor do I believe that there is a simple solution.

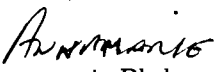
One answer is to educate parents making them aware that they can make choices at home. For this reason, The Television Project conducts workshops and publishes a newsletter called Beyond TV. Our brochure is enclosed. Please invite us to do a workshop for the parents in your community.

A different answer is to invite those people who have passion and energy about this issue to a gathering where they can meet others and together begin to develop ideas for action. For this reason we are hosting Open Space on June 29th. Enclosed is a brochure and also a one-page flyer which is designed to be copied for handouts or bulletin boards. Please help us find the people who want to work on this issue.

We chose the last Saturday in June, after the school has ended but before vacations, so that teachers can come. We chose Saturday so that working parents can come.

Thank you. I hope to see you on June 29th. Please call for any additional information. This comes with best wishes.

Sincerely,


Annamarie Pluhar
Executive Director

LEADERS, ACTIVISTS, PARENTS, EDUCATORS THIS GATHERING IS FOR YOU.

Acting with Passion and Courage for the Family
Meeting the Challenges of the Television Culture

A Meeting in Open Space
JUNE 29, 1996 8:30-5:00

Television has been with us for forty years.

The last ten years have given us VCR's, home entertainment centers, home computers, the Internet, CD's, answering machines, and video games. What is happening to the family amidst these microchips? Are we different? Are the children different? Is our society different?

What are the issues of this Electronic Age for the family? What are the opportunities?

If you ask yourself questions like these, if you have answers, if you have ideas about how we should be meeting the challenges of the television culture, come to Open Space.

You are invited. Come, talk, convene a group, share your passion, your expertise and your ideas. Open Space is a way for a large group of people to gather without preassigned keynote speeches or planned workshops, and have a tremendous experience of learning, networking and idea generation.

What exactly will happen?

The honest answer is we don't know. In the first 30 minutes, (don't be late!) the facilitator will explain the guidelines for the day and the group will create an agenda. After that, each person will choose what they want to do. It won't look orderly, but each individual will be actively engaged where s/he has passion. Each group

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Whom are we inviting?

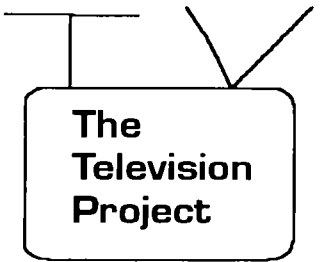
Leaders, activists, teachers, people who work with or for children. Parents. We hope this invitation will appeal to all kinds of people, of different faiths, races and income level.

Where will it be held?

Asbury United Methodist Church
926 11th St. NW, Washington DC. (Corner 11th and K Streets. The Metro Stop is Metro Center.)

REGISTRATION: \$10 Preregistration (due June 15) or \$20 at the door. (*Fee waived in exchange for volunteer help, call for information.*)

To register, send check payable to: The Television Project and mail it to
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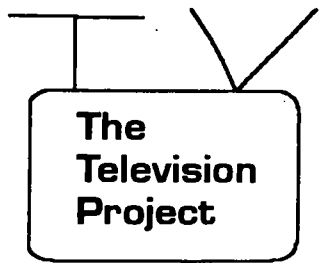
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LEADERS, ACTIVISTS, PARENTS, EDUCATORS THIS GATHERING IS FOR YOU.

**Acting with Passion and Courage for the Family
Meeting the Challenges of the Television Culture**

**A Meeting in Open Space
JUNE 29, 1996 8:30-5:00**

Television has been with us for forty years.

The last ten years have given us VCR's, home entertainment centers, home computers, the Internet, CD's, answering machines, and video games. What is opening to the family amidst these microchips? Are we different? Are the children different? Is our society different?

What are the issues of this Electronic Age for the family? What are the opportunities?

If you ask yourself questions like these, if you have answers, if you have ideas about how we should be meeting the challenges of the television culture, come to Open Space.

You are invited. Come, talk, convene a group, share your passion, your expertise and your ideas. Open Space is a venue for a large group of people to gather without preassigned keynote speeches or planned workshops, and have a tremendous experience of learning, networking and idea generation.

What exactly will happen?

The honest answer is we don't know. In the first 30 minutes, (don't be late!) the facilitator will explain the guidelines for the day and the group will create an agenda. After that, each person will choose what they want to do. It won't look orderly, but each individual will be actively engaged where s/he has passion. Each group

that meets will be responsible for a short summary of their group discussion. Computers will be available for immediate reporting and participants will receive a copy of the "proceedings".

Whom are we inviting?

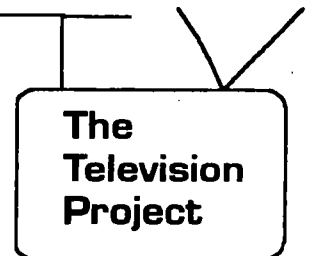
Leaders, activists, teachers, people who work with or for children. Parents. We hope this invitation will appeal to all kinds of people, of different faiths, races and income level.

Where will it be held?

Asbury United Methodist Church
926 11th St. NW., Washington DC. (Corner 11th and K Streets. The Metro Stop is Metro Center.)

REGISTRATION: \$10 Preregistration (due June 15) or \$20 at the door. (*Fee waived in exchange for volunteer help, call for information.*)

To register, send check payable to: The Television Project and mail it to
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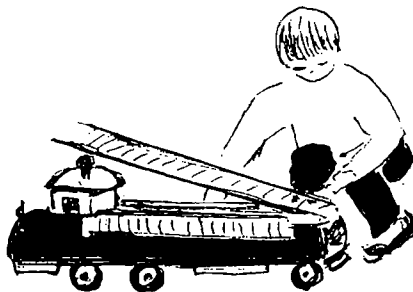
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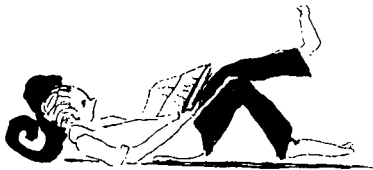
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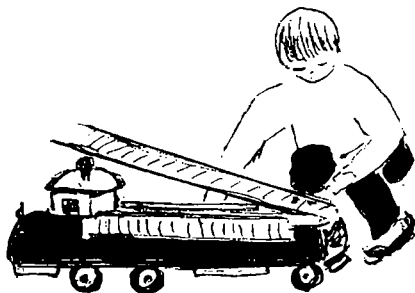
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October 25, 1996

Ms. Meeghan E.V. Prunty
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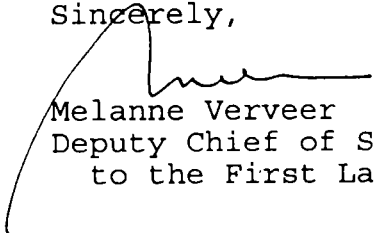
Dear Meeghan:

On behalf of the First Lady, I would like to thank you for the invitation to deliver the keynote address at the Children & the Media Conference in April 1997.

I have forwarded your request to Patti Solis. However, the First Lady's April schedule has not yet been determined and therefore, it is too early to accept your invitation. The scheduling office will be in touch.

Thank you for writing and best wishes.

Sincerely,


Melanne Verveer
Deputy Chief of Staff
to the First Lady

*Best to
Steve too!*

Melanne Verveer

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Melanne -

Steve and I saw your prime
time Presidential key after the
first debate — we were so excited!

I know that everyone's attention is
focused elsewhere right now — as it
well should be — but I'd hoped to
at least get this in the mix when
we begin to look ahead to the next
term. We would love to have Mrs.
C. in come back to our annual
conference and think that this topic
may be of great interest to her.

I'll call you soon to chat
about this. all my best
Meaghan



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October 1, 1996

Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton
 First Lady
 The White House
 Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton:

We are writing to invite you to join us again at our national Children & the Media Conference. Children Now was truly honored by your participation in our 1995 conference and by the key role you graciously agreed to play. Both your address to the media leaders and the Q & A session with children that you participated in by satellite made valuable contributions to our dialogue. We would like to invite you to deliver the keynote address at this year's conference (and very much hope to be able to welcome you in person!) This year's conference -- "Mirror, Mirror on the Wall: The Influence of Media on Girls" -- will examine the influence of media messages on girls. We know that the media industry leaders and children's advocates alike would benefit from your insights on this issue and we would be very honored by your participation.

This is the 4th Annual Children and the Media Conference, which bring together key media industry leaders, as well as a select group of leading commentators, academics and children's experts. Other leaders who have addressed previous conferences are FCC Chairman Reed Hundt, Disney/ABC Cable President Geraldine Laybourne, NBC News Anchor Tom Brokaw, television pioneer Norman Lear, C3 Chairman Rich Frank, *Nick News* Anchor Linda Ellerbee, and Harvard University child psychiatrist Alvin Pouissant.

The goal of this year's conference is to examine the messages sent to girls across the broad range of media to which they are exposed. We will explore the influence that these messages -- about appearance, relationships and future potential -- have on girls as they're developing their sense of themselves, their bodies and their world. We would also like to highlight positive media images of girls, and discuss the elements that contribute to these constructive portrayals.

The conference -- which will be held from April 30 - May 2, 1997 in Los Angeles -- is jointly sponsored by Stanford University's Department of Communication, the UCLA Center for Communication Policy and Children Now, a leading children's advocacy organization. In the past, our conferences have generated enormous interest and we expect that news coverage will again give much wider exposure to our dialogue. Please find enclosed some of our materials, which provide a more complete picture of the depth and influence of our conferences.

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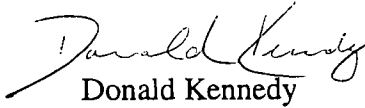
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We are very excited about the opportunity to address this important topic and appreciate your willingness to give this invitation your full consideration. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to call the Conference Director, Meeghan Prunty, at Children Now's Bay Area office [510-763-2444.] We look forward to hearing from you soon and hope very much to see you in April.

Best regards,



Donald Kennedy
President Emeritus
Stanford University



Jeffrey Cole
Director, UCLA Center
for Communication Policy



Lois Salisbury
Executive Director
Children Now

cc: Melanne Verveer, Deputy Chief of Staff to the First Lady

MIRROR, MIRROR ON THE WALL: THE INFLUENCE OF MEDIA ON GIRLS



4th Annual Children & the Media Conference
Los Angeles, California

MAJOR NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF MEDIA INDUSTRY LEADERS

Children Now, a leading children's organization, is pleased to announce that our 4th annual conference of media industry leaders will be held in Los Angeles from April 30 - May 2, 1997. The conference will gather an influential group of media leaders, together with experts from academia and the children's policy arena, to examine the messages that the media sends girls. We would like to explore this important issue in light of the influence that these messages have on girls as they develop their sense of themselves, their bodies and their future potential.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

The conference will center on a series of roundtable discussions among media industry leaders, with active participation from all attendees. The schedule is also likely to include presentations by children's experts, keynote addresses, video presentations and case-study workshops, as well as insight from a panel of young viewers. It is hoped that the roundtable discussions will:

- Highlight the many positive media images of girls today, drawing attention to constructive ways the media can help break down stereotypes and offer both girls and boys positive role models.
- Discuss the portrayals of girls and women in the media -- in terms of their representation, attitudes and behaviors -- and analyze the messages that these images send children.
- Examine how girls' images of themselves and their bodies might be shaped by the media.
- Take the current debate about sexuality in the media a step further and examine the messages that these portrayals send girls regarding both their relation *to* and relationships *with* boys.
- Examine the images seen by the youngest girls -- in cartoons and animated movies -- and explore the role that these early messages play in laying the foundation for those that are sent later.

A SELECT GROUP OF ATTENDEES

Among those who have participated in previous Children Now conferences are First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, FCC Chairman Reed Hundt, Disney/ABC Cable President Geraldine Laybourne, C3 Chairman Rich Frank, television pioneer Norman Lear, Harvard University child psychiatrist Alvin Pouissant, *Nick News* Anchor Linda Ellerbee, ABC TV Entertainment President Ted Harbert, NBC News Anchor Tom Brokaw and ABC News Correspondent Carole Simpson.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

In an effort to keep the gathering to a productive size, attendance is limited and participation is by invitation only. A detailed schedule will be distributed to all attendees prior to the conference. For further information, please contact the Conference Director, Meeghan Prunty.

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