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January 7, 1985

Dear Mrs. Sapp:

Nancy and I were very pleased to learn recently of your friendship and support for us. We know that you have been facing a great challenge this past year. We can't tell you how much it means to us that you would have us in your thoughts at such a difficult personal time for you. We are keeping you in our prayers, and we are certain that the Good Lord will give you peace and strength to meet the days ahead.

I hope that you are in no way troubled by the fact that you were unable to cast your ballot on November 6. We are truly grateful for all of the support we received from our fellow Americans on election day, but we also felt the many prayers and good wishes that were offered for our success. Believe me, that is the best kind of support we could have for all of the tasks we face.

You are a real inspiration to us. May God bless you and keep you.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mrs. Sybil Sapp  
c/o Mrs. Carol Mueller  
4528 N.E. 25th Street  
Portland, Oregon 97211

RR:AVH:CAD:pps
December 6, 1984

Dear President Reagan,

A month has passed since election day and soon you will be celebrating your inauguration. I would like to tell you what election day meant to my mother.

Mom is 74 years old. She and my father raised six children of their own, as well as taking in relatives and unrelated children for varying lengths of time until their needs were met. How they managed I don't know, because there was never enough money and they had some very hard times. Through these hard times Mom developed a strength of character and a deep faith in God. This has sustained her as her life has become even more difficult these past few years. Our father passed away three years ago and Mom developed one serious health problem after another. We rarely saw her discouraged and her faith never wavered.

While Mom's health deteriorated, the health of the country was gaining. The resurgence of patriotism and the call for higher moral standards seemed to reassure her and she gave you full credit for the change. In February Mom was diagnosed as having breast cancer. Surgery was followed by chemo-therapy which lasted through the summer. Even though she became weaker her interest in the campaign remained high. Then in early October it was found that she had brain tumors and began radiation treatment. The cancer was apparently arrested but she returned home very weak. Her spirits, however, were as strong as ever and nothing seemed to perk her up more than the news of how well you were doing in the polls, and she always had strength enough to argue with anyone who might be so foolish as to consider voting for your opponent. As the election day approached it was apparent that Mom would have to have an absentee ballot if she were to vote. I promised to pick one up for her on the Monday prior to election day. But that Monday Mom was very sick and we
took her to the doctor. He said she was showing early signs of pneumonia and the decision was made to hospitalize her that day. When all the arrangements were made, it was too late to pick up the ballot.

While citizens were out voting the next day, Mom was undergoing numerous tests. The doctor sent word that he would be in that evening to give us the diagnosis. It was quite obvious, however, that Mom was much more interested in election results than test results. Watching the returns come in she became very excited as you won state after state. Her deep felt regret was that she had been unable to cast her own vote for you, but I knew she had been praying for you and know you will agree that her contribution was the greater. She was looking forward with absolute glee to your opponents concession speech when the doctor came in. His news wasn't good. Mom's lungs, which had been clear only four weeks before, were now filled with cancer. He told her of the treatments available to her, then told her he had little hope of any of them being effective. All during the time he was talking, Mom's eyes would stray to the T.V. set for fear she might miss something. When the doctor finished speaking Mom shrugged, said she thought she would probably take the treatment as she felt obliged to do everything she could, but her life was in God's hands and whatever He had in mind was okey with her. Then she told the doctor how anxious she was to hear the speeches and asked what he thought of the election! He just looked baffled, and I am sure he felt that Mom did not comprehend the gravity of the situation. But of course, she did. In fact, I think she knew before he told her. She knew that God was standing by her and her belief that God was standing by you made that a night of victory and happiness.

Mom is now undergoing chemo-therapy in Portland where she is living with my sister. The signs are still not
hopeful. She continues to weaken physically but not spiritually. My sister was the one who thought we should send you this letter. As I write, the hope has come to me that perhaps you would have the opportunity to contact my mother by letter or phone so I am including her name and my sister's address. If you were to thank her for her prayers it would be the highlight of her life.

Our family knows you didn't win that night just for our mother, yet somehow it seems as though you did. We are grateful it happened just that way.

Sincerely yours,

Irene Sapp VanDusen

Mom's name and address is:
Mrs. Sybil Sapp
%Mrs. Carol Mueller
4528 N.E. 25th St.
Portland, Or. 97211
phone: 503-287-9391
January 14, 1985

Dear Fred:

Many thanks for your list of suggestions for the next four years. Nancy and I are delighted with the faith which the American people have expressed in us and we look forward to the challenges ahead.

As soon as things settle down, I will pass your material on to those folks who will be handling the various areas you have detailed. As always, I am grateful for your thoughtfulness.

Nancy and I send our warmest best wishes to you and Helen.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

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Mr. Fred H. Gottfurcht
44 Cocoanut Row
Palm Beach, Florida 33480

RR:AVH:KCS:pps

bcc: Fred Ryan
Honorable President Ronald Reagan
President of the United States
White House
Washington D.C. 20500

Dear President Reagan,

I have enclosed a list of suggestions and psychological technics for 1985–1989 Presidency. Best wishes for success.

I hope they are useful to you.

Warmest Regards,
To your darling 1st Lady and to you
from Helen & I.
Your Devoted Friend,

Fred

From Winter Home:
Fred H. Gottfurcht
44 Cocoanut Row
Palm Beach FL 33480
305-832-8511
SELL PRESIDENT'S PROGRAMS TO PEOPLE VIA MONTHLY. PLUS
QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD - SEE BELOW.

HOLD T.V. PROGRAM FROM OVAL OFFICE ON THE LAST TUESDAY EACH
MONTH STARTING 1/29/85 FROM 5 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

GREET "MY FELLOW AMERICANS etc. etc., THIS 1ST OF REGULAR
MONTHLY REPORTS, LAST TUESDAY EACH MONTH, SAME TIME, HEREAFTER.
GIVE NEXT DATE, EACH MONTH. DISCUSS DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

INNAUGURATE PERSONAL PHONE CALLS TO 3 VIEWERS. SELECT BY LOTTERY.
ASK AUDIENCE TO WRITE TO "PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN MONTHLY REPORT",
WHITE HOUSE, WASH., D.C. QUESTION OR CONCERNS.
SELECT 3 LETTERS MOST COMMON & DISCUSS EACH TOTAL 2 MINUTES.
ADDRESS WRITER BY NAME. HAVE EACH APPEAR ON T.V. SPLIT PICTURE
SHOWING YOUR WRITER. THIS WILL ALSO HAVE THESE PEOPLE (MILLIONS)
WILL HEAR FROM THEIR PRESIDENT DIRECTLY. THUS CAUSING MUCH
EXCITEMENT. ALSO HAVE 20 LETTERS SELECTED BY LOTTERY. RESPOND
PERSONALLY TO WRITTEN BY PRESIDENT.

SPEND 10 MINUTES DISCUSSING DOMESTIC AFFAIRS & 10 MINUTES ON
FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

CLOSE PROGRAM. INVITE LETTERS, GIVE DATE OF NEXT "PROGRAM REPORT".

SAY GOOD NIGHT AND GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU. SMILE & WAVE HANDS.
PSYCHOLOGICAL TECHNICS & SUGGESTIONS
1985 - 1989 SUBJECTS & SUGGESTIONS

1. INNAUGARATE MONTHLY T.V. - 5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. e.s.t.

30 MINUTE REPORT TO ELECTORATE (NATION) "STATE OF AFFAIRS".
PURPOSE OF ABOVE BUILD POWER BASE VIA T.V. REPORT FOR PRESIDENCY EACH MONTH - SEE DETAILS.

2. ORGANIZE N.A.T.O. INTERNATIONAL ANTI TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.
(SEE DETAILS)

3. CREATE NEW PASSPORT PLASTIC CARD. PHOTO AND CODE NO'S - USE NEW SYSTEM OF SUPER COMPUTERS AT ALL ENTRY & EXIT PORTS. FERRET OUT FUGITIVES. (PURPOSE & DETAILS)

4. CHANGE & REDESIGN U.S. MONEY
(SEE DETAILS)

5. U.S. TAX DEFICIT & U.S. NATIONAL DEBT. SUGGESTIONS & TECHNICS.
(SEE DETAILS)

6. HAVE 10 MONTHLY "PRESS CONFERENCES". NONE JULY OR AUGUST, CUT TO 20 MINUTES.

DETAILS

1. SUGGESTION & PURPOSE

INNAUGARATE MONTHLY T.V. REPORT TO AMERICAN PEOPLE ENABLE PRESIDENT TO DEVELOP 4 YR POWER BASE, AMERICAN PEOPLE, THREAT TO CONGRESSIONAL OPPOSITION.
2. DETAILS

CREATE "N.A.T.O. INTERNATIONAL ANTI-TERRORIST ORGANIZATION"
PURPOSE INCLUDE ALLIES FORM SPECIAL TRAINED ANTI-TERRORIST
SQUADS USE MOST SOPHISTICATED WEAPONS COMBAT WORLD WIDE TERRORISM.
DO NOT IDENTIFY AS A U.S. PROJECT BUT WORLD WIDE RESULT SHOW
OF STRENGTH OF N.A.T.O. INCLUDE ISREAL.
PLACE UNDER SUPERVISION TOP MILITARY AND TOP N.A.T.O. & U.S.
INTELLIGENCE.
DON'T USE U.S. TROOPS, WILL UPSET AMERICAN PEOPLE. DEMONSTRATE
WEST RETALIATION. ARRANGE 1,000 SPECIAL TRAINED SQUADS. WORK
WITH N.A.T.O.

3. DETAILS

NEW PLASTIC PASSPORT PHOTO CARD. MAKE IMPOSSIBLE TO COUNTERFEIT.
USE SUPER COMPUTER WITH INTELLIGENCE AVAILABLE ON WANTED PEOPLE,
SUCH AS DRUG SMUGGLERS, TERRORISTS, TAX CHEATS, AND WANTED
FUGITIVES AT LARGE INSTALLED AT ALL CHECK POINTS.

4. DETAILS

REDESIGN & CHANGE U.S. MONEY, PURPOSE COMBAT BANKS IN COUNTRIES
THAT HAVE SECRET BANK ACCOUNTS WITH TAX CHEATS, DRUG SMUGGLERS,
FUGITIVES, MAFIA ETC...

A. $5,000 UNDER REDEEM AT ALL BANKS, S & L ASSNS., POST
OFFICES. IN U.S. NO EXPLANATION
B. OVER $5,000 USE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, REQUIRE PROOF OF SOURCE - RESULT AFTER ALLOW 90 DAY, REDEMPTION. IF LEGAL, WILL CONQUER DRUG PROBLEMS, CHEATS. AFTER 90 DAY EXPERATION NON-REDEEMABLE NOR NOT USEABLE.

5. U.S. DEFICIT & NATIONAL DEBT. DETAILS:

NO INCREASE IN INCOME TAX.

REMEDY: 5% CONSUMPTION TAX, BASED ON 3 TRILLION SALES, YIELD $150 BILLION ANNUALLY.

RESULTS OF GALLUP POLLS PROVE:

A. PEOPLE WANT THIS, AMERICA IS READY NOW.

B. DEFICIT WASHES OUT, EACH YEAR "BALANCED BUDGET".

C. PEOPLE REALISTIC ABOUT SOVIET INTENTION - #2 NEGOTIATE FROM STRENGTH.

D. CONSUMPTION TAX - WILL PERMIT DEFENCE TO REMAIN IN TACT. WE CAN'T SACRIFICE "SECURITY FOR ECONOMY" ALSO ALLOW SPACE PROGRAM GO FORWARD "YOUR NEW 1985 "PEOPLES T.V. REPORT PROGRAM' WILL SELL TO AMERICAN ELECTORATE.

IT'S EITHER SAFETY WITH PEACE OR SORROW WITH DESTRUCTION. AMERICAN PEOPLE ACCUSTOMED TO SALES TAXES.

OTHER SUGGESTIONS:

RESTORE DRAFT, CUT MILITARY PENSIONS, VOLUNTEER MILITARY, TOO COSTLY.
CONSUMPTION SALE TAX WILL BALANCE BUDGET. WILL REDUCE INTEREST RATES, RESULT BETTER ECONOMY.
June 9, 1981

Dear Tom:

Thanks very much for your good letter and all your kind words. I hit the ceiling though when I read your paragraph about California suing to bring in waitresses to the Bohemian Club. Your line about what Kelly's reaction and Nancy's would be to that just gave me an idea. Why don't we organize a wives auxiliary of Bohemia and have them go to bat as witnesses testifying against the California suit.

I'm greatly encouraged on another subject - our military. In October, they will be getting another pay raise. But in addition to that, we have been doing other things to raise morale and curiously enough, enlistments are up, reenlistments are up and many, including noncommissioned officers who previously had left the service, are now returning. I'm still going to believe we can make a volunteer military work if we use our heads, and we're going to give it a real try.

Thanks again, and say hello to everyone in the Grove in July. Best regards.

Sincerely,

Mr. Thomas M. O'Brien
Southwest Investment and Trust
6560 N. Scottsdale Rd.
Bldg. J, Suite 202
Scottsdale, Arizona 85253

RR/ls
President Ronald Reagan  
Attention: 16991  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ron:

The word from around the country is "You're still doing a great job!" Just keep pointing out - you didn't start the fire. You were brought in to put it out. We all have to sacrifice to help you. This isn't a one man job, enlist everyone's aid. That is what has made our country strong, the willingness to buckle down when the going gets rough.

The Bohemian Club is being sued to bring in girl waitresses by the State of California. You realize that Rancheros is next in line. My wife, Kelly, and your Nancy, would sure approve of our going out for a week with girls, wouldn't they?

Please make the Saudis, the Japanese and West Germans, etc. pay for our protection. Once the pay is up for the military, we can attract the cream of America again. Shouldn't be necessary, but we need a carrot.

The worst person in the world to face is a man or country who has nothing to lose. And that looks like Russia right now. She won't fall without going down swinging. We best be prepared for the worst.

I'm so proud of you, I can't tell you. You're playing the cards you have so well it's unreal.

There's no doubt that you are going to be one of our greatest Presidents ever. Just have to tell you; I knew it all along. You could charm a hungry Tom Cat off a fully loaded Galveston shrimp boat...and that's not easy.

Best regards to Nancy and write me if there's anything I can do personally for you.

As always,

Thomas M. O'Brien

P.S. From the pictures I've seen and the television films, you two look great. Protect yourself - we love you both.
**WHIT HOUSE**
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TO: John Herrington  
FROM: Bill Sittmann  
Special Assistant to the President and Special Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Staff

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Mike would like you to draft a response.  
Thanks.

I may have a chance to convey at least a word or two personally next week when I will be coming to the White House. I believe will attend a reception with the Lewises. After that, the remainder of the week my wife and I will be writing farewell letters to the President. I support your efforts to ensure his people know how much they meant to our family and to you. Please convey my best wishes for the future.
Mr. Michael Deaver  
Assistant to the President and  
Deputy Chief of Staff  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500  

Dear Mike:

I want to be among your friends who thank you for the wonderful contribution you have made to the President and the Administration and for the service you have given to the country.

I am sure it was not an easy decision to leave the White House, but, as with Nancy Reynolds and others of the "extended Reagan family", I am sure you will continue to be a tremendous source of moral support and good advice to both the President and Mrs. Reagan as well as the official White House staff.

I may have a chance to convey at least a word or two of these thoughts personally next week when I will be coming to the Hay Adams the evening of January 14 to attend the Hoover Board of Overseers meeting and I believe attend a reception with the Reagans the 15th. I will be staying for the remainder of the week and Jean will be joining me on Friday when we will be getting together with the Eagles and other groups whose causes I support such as the Republican Senatorial Inner Circle, The Presidential Trust, California Golden Bears, etc., to help kick off the second term.

It is conceivable our paths might cross, Mike, but if not, thanks again and lots of happiness to you and your wife in your future career.

Last, but not least, thanks a million for passing along the RV tape to the President with my letter. I also appreciated his thank you, which I am sure had your hand in it.

Very sincerely,

LWLJr/kh  
Enclosures  
cc: Edwin Meese III  
P.S. I don't want to make this letter too lengthy, but I want to add a P.S. you can tear up now -- or read later when you have time.
P.S. I still think I could be of help to the President in some phase of the Administration. I am not out with a tin cup looking for a job -- and I am very happy with what I am doing. Also, I have been able to give a lot of assistance to the President's policies and special Administration objectives -- but, I feel I am qualified, healthy, independent, untarnished, respected, and capable of doing more.

I have one concern that perhaps someone is pushing a wrong button on John Herrington's computer and you are pulling up the name of my brother, "Mel" Lane, instead of myself. I have had indications that the White House has had communications from Paul Laxalt, Chuck Percy, Cap Weinberger, Bill Casey, Bill Clark, and a few others. None have been at my request.

Mel has made a wonderful contribution to this country in many ways, but he has always been a far more liberal Republican than myself in matters of the environment, etc., and, for reasons I am not sure of, supported and voted for Mondale. My record in both financial and other support for Presidential, gubernatorial, and congressional candidates, as well as Reagan Administration policy is drastically different.

By the same token, I can understand John Herrington's comment to me when I was at the White House (at Paul Laxalt's request), on the day that both John and Helene Von Damm were changing horses, when he told me, "We have a lot of highly qualified people who are on deck" -- and I appreciate I don't qualify on that score.

Keep in mind I am not just thinking of a full-time appointment -- but perhaps more appropriate for me and for the Administration would be a part-time assignment where I could maintain my home here in the West where I have the back-up of a wonderful staff and a base of influence. My personal and business career is very closely identified with President Reagan and the general philosophy of the Administration and a reputation for quality, integrity, good taste, family values, patriotism, and a lot of influence with areas of interest for the Administration in Pacific Basin activities, relations with Canada and Mexico, the environment and many other fields.

Again, I'm happy -- but available for at least discussing more involvement with the Administration in the second term.
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 16, 1985

Dear Alice:

Thank you very much for your generous words and for the "Creed." I'm pleased to have it and most grateful to you.

Nancy sends her love as do I and, again, our thanks.

Sincerely,

Mrs. John C. Tyler
661 Stone Canyon Road
Los Angeles, California 90024
January 16, 1985

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661 Stone Canyon Road
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To Mrs. John C. Tyler 667 Stone Canyon Rd. L.A. Calif. 90024

Dear Alice

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Many thanks for your love as an I and again our thanks.

Sincerely
Ron
ACT/mea
Encl.
My Creed

"From the Summit of Years Four Score"
by SAMUEL ULLMAN

Youth is not a time of life. It's a state of mind. It's a temper of the will, a quality of the imagination, a vigor of the emotions, a predominance of courage over timidity, of the appetite for adventure over love of ease.

Nobody grows old by merely living a number of years. People grow old only by deserting their ideals. Years wrinkle the skin, but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul.

Worry, doubt, self-distrust, fear and despair — these bow the head and turn the growing spirit back to dust.

Whether 60 or 16, there is in every being's heart the love of wonder, the sweet amazement at the stars and the starlike things and thoughts, the undaunted challenge of events, the unfailing childlike appetite for whatnext, and the joy of the game of living.

You are as young as your faith, as old as your doubt; as young as your self-confidence, as old as your fear; as young as your hope, as old as your despair.

So long as your heart receives messages of beauty, cheer, courage, grandeur and power from the earth, from man and from the Infinite, so long are you young.

When the wires are all down, and all the central places of your heart are covered with the snows of pessimism and the ice of cynicism, then, and only then, are you grown old indeed, and may God have mercy on your soul.

"Live every day of your life as though you expect to live forever."
January 16, 1985

Dear Mrs. Wicker:

I am just now getting the chance to answer my mail, and I want to thank you for writing Nancy and me. I guess our schedules never seem to ease up, as we are still unable to accept your kind offer. Please know, though, that we appreciate your expression of goodwill and hospitality.

Again, thank you for your continuing friendship and thoughtfulness. We send our best wishes.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Mrs. R. B. Wicker
R.R. 71, Box 1650
Camdenton, Missouri 65020

RR/MLO/DE/AVH/lynn--(1PMN)
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Sincerely,

Mrs. Wicker
Rural Route 71, Box 1650
Camdenton, Missouri 65020
Date: 12-19

TO: [Signature]

FROM: FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR.
Director
Presidential Appointments and Scheduling

☐ Information
☐ Action
☐ Let's Discuss

[Signature]

[Attached letter]

Thanks

F.J.
Dear President & Mrs. Reagan,

Looking thru my scrap book I found this letter from you written in 1965. I thought you might enjoy reading it. We have the utmost respect for you and think your term as President will go down in history as being one of the finest ever. This part of our respect and your success goes to Mrs. Reagan as she well deserves it.

She belong to your task force and thank you for the medal of merit and the American flag, but most of all for bringing back our patriotism. Thank you for making the Viet Nam war a proud one. My oldest son, Jim Massa, was with Seal Team 1, and was over there twice and my middle son Dave was on U.S.S. Delta and over once.

The move to Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri four years ago from El Paso, Texas are really like it. We would like to extend to you and Mrs.
Reagan a warm and sincere invitation to visit us whenever you need rest and relaxation. We have a cruiser and deck boat and plenty of room. The rain check still stands. Almost twenty years later, I forgot to tell you I do not agree with everything you do, but that's life isn't it?

God Bless you both,

Jackie Wicker
RR 71 Tbd 1650
Camdenton, MO
65020
Dear Mr. Wichan,

I am writing this on a rather bumpy flight ride somewhere above Ohio. I looked for you at the El Paso dinner. Your letter arrived too late for me to answer before leaving home. As you know perhaps arrangements had been made for me to stay right there near the air port because I was taking an early morning plane out.

I'm sorry we didn't meet because I wanted to tell you how very much I appreciated your kind letter and your invitation. May I have a rein-check?

Please give my regards to Mrs. Wichan and again my heartfelt thanks.

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan
To wish you every happiness this holiday season and throughout the coming year.

R. B. and JACKIE WICKER
January 11, 1935

Dear Allen:

Thank you for writing and sending me such a thoughtful message. I appreciate the time you took to let me hear from you, and I'm delighted to know that I have you for my friend. God bless you.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Allen Bowman
15 Arrowhead Lane
Portsmouth, Rhode Island 02871

Enclosure: #26

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DEAR PRESIDENT REAGAN

MERRY CHRISTMAS. I AM GLAD YOU'LL STILL LIVE IN THE WHITE HOUSE.

MY NAME IS ALLEN BOWMAN. TV SAYS YOU ARE HAVING MONEY PROBLEMS WITH YOUR BUDGET. I HAVE A LITTLE MONEY. I GIVE YOU 30¢ TO HELP WITH YOUR PROBLEMS. MY SISTER HEATHER IS HELPING MRS. REAGAN TO STOP DRUGS. YOU ARE DOING A GOOD JOB.

THANK YOU FOR BEING MY PRESIDENT.

YOUR BUDDY

ALLEN BOWMAN

ALLEN BOWMAN
15 ARROWHEAD LANE
PORTSMOUTH, RI 02871
January 18, 1985

Dear Tim:

Many thanks for your thoughtful note. That vitality of the American people has always been there I just think it had to be reawakened or nudged a little to remind us all of our spirit and capabilities as a people.

Thank you too for your birthday message. This is one I can look forward to as we all look forward to making America's future the best ever.

Nancy joins me in sending our warm best wishes. Thanks again for writing and God bless you.

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

The Honorable Timothy A. Curtin
Post Office Box 142
Forest, Ohio 45843

RR:AVH:PAG:pps

bcc: Kathy Osborne
TO: Anne Higgins

FROM: KATHY OSBORNE
Personal Secretary
to the President

DATE: 1-9-85

Can you please have someone do a nice response to Tim Curtin. I don't think RR needs to personally answer.

Thanks.
January 5, 1985

Dear Mr. President,

Please accept my very best wishes - which are two-fold, - first for the wonderful victory in November, and secondly, for your second Inaugural on January 20.

I keep the note you wrote me a year ago today as I left office as Ohio's youngest mayor framed on my desk, and I take inspiration from it each time things get rough.

Thank you for all you mean to me - and to our nation. We, as a people, are back stronger than ever, and it is you to whom we owe thanks for this.
If I can ever be of assistance to you, please don't hesitate to let me know.

Please also accept my best wishes on your upcoming birthday. I hope that each day of 1985 is better than the day before. God bless you.

With warmest personal regards to you and Mrs. Reagan, I remain

Respectfully yours,

Jim
January 30, 1985

Dear Frater and Mrs. Bachmann:

I was pleased to learn of your support for my Administration. I wish there were words to convey adequately how much it means to me to hear from friends like you. Knowing of your loyalty and confidence has filled me with a renewed resolve to work and fight for the goals we share. Please accept my heartfelt appreciation.

Knowing that you both have been ill, Nancy and I will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

God bless you.

Yours in the bond,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. and Mrs. Claude R. Bachmann
3770 Towndale Drive
Bloomington, Minnesota 55431

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Peke Fraternity
This is what and Nanner! our work.

C. R. BACHMANN
8770 Towne Park
Bloomington, Minn. 55431
This is yours truly and ever
Nancy, a friend.

C. R. BACHMANN
3770 Towndale Drive
Bloomington, Minn. 55431
November 1, 1984

Dear Mrs. Clark:

I was pleased to learn of your support for my Administration. I wish there were words to convey adequately how much it means to me to hear from friends like you. Knowing of your loyalty and confidence has filled me with a renewed resolve to work and fight for the goals we share. Please accept my heartfelt appreciation.

Nancy joins me in wishing you a belated happy birthday and we want you to know that we will keep you in our thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery.

Sincerely,

God bless you.

Mrs. Marion Clark
Apartment 1509
A100 Knox Avenue, South
Bloomington, Minnesota 55431

Mr. & Mrs. Claude R. Bachmann
3770 Towndale Drive
Bloomington, Minnesota 55431

Knowing that you both have been ill, Nancy and I will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.
Mr. Ronald Reagan  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ronald:

Melvina and I just mailed in our absentee ballots today with your name on it with an X in front of it. This should do it. And we want to be the first to congratulate you. We are a couple of old birds, I am 87. Mel is 86. Incidentally we were married 61 years ago on July 14th. Our luck has been bad lately. Mel just came out of the hospital after 16 days with her second disc operation. Before she was home two days I had to have a second carotid artery replacement or patch.

Mel has her fingers crossed. She is afraid this could possibly be another Truman-Dewey deal. I tell her to cheer up. This is different. I suppose you might wonder why I should be calling the President by his first name. Well, we happen to be fraternity brothers and I feel free to call any Teke by his first name. In your case you happen to be just a young fellow. I think I have about 14 years on you. I became a Teke after the first world war in 1919. This was back in the days when Tex Flint was Grand Prytines. After graduation from the U of M Law school in 1922 I worked for an investment company as an attorney. This company operated a bank, a trust company as well as a land and mortgage company. I went with Gould, Inc. in 1930. I stayed until my retirement in 1964. Gould made submarine and torpedo batteries for the Navy when we could get contracts.

I have your picture with George Busch as well as one with you and Nancy stuck up in my small home office. I intend to keep them there. You send me pictures so I am sending you some.

Please excuse me but I just had the urge to write.

Sincerely,

Claude
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
January 25, 1985

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your kind letter and generous words. It was good of you to write. Nancy and I hope we'll have an opportunity to see you both more often than we have in these past four years. That doesn't mean that I think the job is going to be any easier in this next four, I'm just being optimistic. After all, we'll have to come to California more often, won't we, since it is our future home. Anyway, that's what I keep telling myself.

Nancy sends her love to you and Audrey as do I.

Sincerely,

Ron

Mr. Robert F. Six
350 Trousdale Place
Beverly Hills, California 90210
The Honorable Ronald W. Reagan  
President  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D. C. 20500  

Dear Mr. President:  

First of all, congratulations on the start of your second term. Your first term was magnificent. The second term will be even better. Congratulations also on the magnificent speech you made this morning. Audrey and I watched you while you were sworn in for the second time.  

You are a great President and are going to be even a greater one after the next four years.  

Audrey joins me in our love to you and Nancy.  

Sincerely,  

Robert F. Six  

RFS/1h
To Mr. Robert F. Six 350 Pimnidae Rd., 
Beverly Hills Calif. 90210

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Anyway that's what I keep telling myself.

Nancy sends her love to you & Andrew as well.

Smiling Ron
January 28, 1985

Dear Dave:

Through the courtesy of Reverend Bohline, I was pleased to receive a copy of "Foot Steps." Much has transpired since our meeting back in 1974 and I am delighted to receive word of you. Most of all, I am grateful for your continued friendship and support.

The vitality of our nation has come from Americans like you whose spirit and patriotism support the values we all treasure. Our greatest reward is knowing that you are on our side. Nancy joins me in saying a heartfelt "thank you."

God bless you.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. David C. Grundmann  
Saint James Lutheran Church  
San Leandro, California

SENT TO:

Mr. David C. Grundmann  
c/o The Reverend Daniel Lee Bohline  
Saint James Lutheran Church  
993 Estudillo Avenue  
San Leandro, California 94577

RR: PAG: KCS: AVH: plr PM10  
cc: K. Osborne

1/28 Mr. Grundmann
Dear Dave:

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
Enclosures:

Other: Daniel Lee Bohline
Pastor
(ON ENVELOPE)
Dear Mr. President:

I am enclosing an article from our newsletter written by a senior citizen member of our parish.

You no doubt have read such tributes before, but this one comes from a man who spent his life as a union organizer and has been a life long Democrat. He is slowly becoming blind from injuries he received in younger days when violence plagued the union movement.

David Grundmann is a living proof that this country is not made up of Democrats or Republicans but Americans. He pays tribute to you for asserting this truth and bringing patriotism new life.

I know that he would be deeply moved if your office could send him a greeting. His near blindness has been hard on his spirit and a letter from your office would mean a great deal to him.

He is not aware of this letter. If you can do this you will not only please him but all the people who know and love him for what he has done as one American citizen to better the lives of his fellow countrymen.

Thank you, and God Bless you Mr. President

[Signature]

P.S. Please send the greeting via: Saint James Lutheran Church
993 Estudillo Avenue
San Leandro, Ca. 94577
In March of 1974 I served as a chairman of an organization known as THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES.

One of the main purposes of this league was to encourage California cities to adopt a sister city in Japan. This exchange proved to be very fruitful and encouraged good relations between the peoples of California and the nation of Japan.

The 1974 Convention took place in San Diego at the Coronado Hotel. There were about five hundred of us in attendance. I gave a short address to the convention expressing my hopes that this exchange program would cement good relations and promote peace and good will.

The afternoon session featured a speech by the governor who would be arriving shortly. I was one of the last delegates to go in to the assembly. I was standing by the main door when I turned around a drink of water before the meeting began and bump...I bashed in to the governor and he almost dropped his speech. At that time I weighed about 260 lbs so it was a substantial bump.

He gave me a great big smile and said: "My name is Ronald Reagan and I am the governor, what's your name?" His hand came out for a shake and he asked me about my work at the convention and we conversed for about five minutes. He concluded by saying: "Dave this might be the last time we meet each other, but I hope not. Good luck with your public service." He then walked into the hall and later on to history.

Being a staunch Democrat, I don't throw roses at Republicans very often, but I must say that Ronald Reagan has a gift of leadership that doesn't come to everyone. That is, he has the gift to make people happy and proud to be Americans. His style of leadership in personal contacts is the key to his rise in public office. Presidents come and go, they have little impact on the bureaucratic government, but their zest, caring and concern is what is long remembered.

THE LORD BLESS.
January 28, 1985

Dear Ms. Graves:

Thank you for writing as you did. I'll see that your letter gets to Mr. Stockman.

Thank you, too, for all that you did in my behalf. I'm truly grateful. Let me assure you, I'm not going back on my word.

Thanks again and very best wishes.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Ms. Barbara Ann Graves
1572 Ninth Street
Astoria, Oregon 97103
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 28, 1985

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Sincerely,

Ms. Barbara Ann Graves
1572 Ninth Street
Astoria, Oregon 97103
To Mrs. Barbara Ann Traves 1572 9th St. Astoria Oregon 97103

Dear Mrs. Traves

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Thank you too for all that you did in my behalf. I'm truly grateful. Let me assure you I'm not going back on my word.

Thanks again & very best wishes.

Sincerely, RR
**WHITE HOUSE**  
**CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET**

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A - Appropriate Action  
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I - Info Copy Only/No Action Necessary  
R - Direct Reply w/Copy  
S - For Signature  
X - Interim Reply

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A - Answered  
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**Comments:**  
May I please have a response geared to children to explain this? Toward thousand life it?

Keep this worksheet attached to the original incoming letter.  
Send all routing updates to Central Reference (Room 75, OEOB).  
Always return completed correspondence record to Central Files.  
Refer questions about the correspondence tracking system to Central Reference, ext. 2590.
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- B: Box/package
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- M: Mailgram
- O: Memo
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- S: Sealed
- T: Telegram
- V: Telephone
- X: Miscellaneous
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Number Pages.: 2
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Reviewer.....: WDB
Review Date..: 850311
Print Date...: March 12, 1985

Notes:
c cc w/copy of incoming to Connie Mackey, Children's Unit

Enclose SDI booklet
Dear Chaundra:

On behalf of President Reagan, I want to thank you for your message. I regret that this response has been delayed. However, because of the heavy volume of mail which the President receives daily, it is not always possible to reply as quickly as we would like.

President Reagan appreciates your words of support for his efforts to keep our nation strong, and he is especially pleased to learn of your support for his Strategic Defense Initiative. The President believes that the SDI represents an innovative and promising means of eliminating the threat of nuclear war. As he said in his State of the Union Address:

Now for decades we and the Soviets have lived under the threat of mutual assured destruction; if either resorted to the use of nuclear weapons, the other could retaliate and destroy the one who started it. Is there either logic or morality in believing that if one side threatens to kill tens of millions of our people, our only recourse is to threaten to kill tens of millions of theirs?

I have approved a research program to find, if we can, a security shield that will destroy nuclear missiles before they reach their target. It wouldn't kill people, it would destroy weapons. It wouldn't militarize space, it would help demilitarize the arsenals of earth. It would render nuclear weapons obsolete. We will meet with the Soviets hoping that we
can agree on a way to rid the world of the threat of nuclear destruction.

Because of your interest in learning more about this program, I have sent along a copy of the President's report on the Strategic Defense Initiative. The report was issued here at the White House on January 3.

Thank you again for your words of support for this important initiative. This research will move us further toward our goal of rendering all nuclear weapons obsolete. With your prayers and continued encouragement, the vision of a world free of the risk of nuclear war can come closer to reality. The President has asked me to send you his appreciation and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Anne Higgins
Special Assistant to the President
and Director of Correspondence

Miss Chaundra Williams
521 North Yakima
Tacoma, WA 98403
MEMORANDUM FOR SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

In accordance with your request, attached is a Draft Reply to Miss Chaundra Williams.

Charlotte J. Cochard
Lt Col, USA
Military Assistant

Attachment
Miss Chaundra Williams
521 North Yakima
Tacoma, Washington  98403

Dear Chaundra:

Thank you for your letter to President Reagan expressing support for our defense policies and requesting information about the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI), which you referred to as "Star Wars."

The President and Secretary of Defense Weinberger have received many letters from students who have become interested in the SDI program and defense space policy. The SDI idea began with the President's speech to the nation of March 23, 1983, when he said "Our purpose is to search for ways to reduce the danger of nuclear war." His idea was to shift America's strategic defense policy from Mutual Assured Destruction (MAD) to a non-nuclear defensive system that would safely destroy ballistic missiles after they were launched and before they reach their targets.

SDI is currently a five-year research program. The scientists involved in this research are trying to determine whether current and future technologies can be used to develop a non-nuclear defensive system. The scientists do not have all the answers yet; the purpose of research is to find answers, as the space pioneers had to do before sending a man to the moon.
You may have heard that President Reagan said he would offer to demonstrate and share this research with the Soviets, if they agree to equitable and verifiable arms agreements. If the United States and the Soviet Union both have a firm, reliable defense against nuclear missiles, then the military value of nuclear weapons would be significantly decreased, and the further investment in these missiles would be of questionable value. It would not end war, but it would certainly be a vastly better world if we could free ourselves of this terror that has literally hung over all of us for many years. As the President has emphasized, this would not mean the United States would "roll over" to the Soviets and give them something that could be used against us. His idea is that we could get the Soviets to consent to an agreement--one that is verifiable--which will lead to ridding the world of these weapons, and free mankind from that threat.

Even with a vigorous SDI research program, we cannot neglect our capabilities to respond against a Soviet attack. It is mandatory at this time that we continue to maintain nuclear weapons, while negotiating for arms reductions, so that we can deter their use against us or our allies.

The President appreciates your support and confidence and your interest in our national security. The enclosed material
will give you more information about these important subjects and how President Reagan will continue to work for a world free of nuclear weapons.

Sincerely,

Enclosures
THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

FEBRUARY 1, 1985

TO: DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
ATTN: MILITARY

ACTION REQUESTED:
DRAFT REPLY FOR SIGNATURE OF WHITE HOUSE STAFF MEMBER

REMARKS: MAY I PLEASE HAVE A RESPONSE GEARED TO CHILDREN TO ANSWER THIS AND SEVERAL THOUSAND LIKE IT?

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:
ID: 287233
MEDIA: LETTER, DATED OCTOBER 29, 1984
TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN
FROM: MS. CHAUNDRA WILLIAMS
521 NORTH YAKIMA
TACOMA WA 98403

SUBJECT: CHILD WANTS TO KNOW ABOUT "STAR WARS"

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

RETURN CORRESPONDENCE, WORKSHEET AND COPY OF RESPONSE (OR DRAFT) TO:
AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 91, THE WHITE HOUSE

SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE
Dear President Reagan,

I am a seventh grade student from Charles Wright Academy. My history class has been following the presidential race and I have been very impressed with what you have done, and will do for our country, and other countries.

I agree with your defense policy of building up the military to decrease the chances of nuclear warfare.

I am pleased with your bringing down inflation and taxes. Keeping taxes and inflation down are my main concern next to nuclear defense. You have handled both of these appropriately.

Also, I am happy with your plans for expanding space. That would decrease unemployment, which would decrease the need for welfare.

In the past four years I feel that you have improved our country, and that you could improve it even more in the coming four years. Thank-you.

Sincerely,

Chaundra Williams
521 North Yakima
Tacoma, Washington
98403

P.S. I would greatly appreciate any information on your "Star Wars" proposal. Thank-you.
January 29, 1985

Dear Ms. Blakeney:

Thank you very much for your kind letter. You brightened my day with your generous words and expression of support, but also for remembering my movies. I don't hear much of that anymore and I enjoy it very much when I do.

Nancy joins me in very best wishes to you, and we both thank you. God bless you. And remember, getting old is always 15 years from where we are now.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Ms. Ruth Blakeney
Nazareth Nursing Home
291 West North
Buffalo, New York 14201

RR:AVH:NM:SEV:pps
RR Dictation (Sample)
To Ms. Ruth Blackley Nazareth Nursing Home 291 W. North St. Buffalo N.Y.

Dear Ms. Blackley,

Thank you very much for your kind letter. You brightened my day with your generous words & expression of support, but also for remembering my movies. I don't hear much of that anymore and I enjoy it very much when I do.

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Sincerely R D.
Dear Mr. Reagan -
This being Christ time, there is no more appropriate time to write to my dear President. My feeling is that you are fond of older people. Therefore I would like you to know of my age at close to 92 years. I am now living in the Nazareth Nursing Home. I am not a Catholic but here it makes no difference.
Mr. Reagan, I loved seeing you in the movies. You were just about the best as you are the President. I was very happy for you that you won by a landslide. I would hate to think of what would happen to this country if Mondale and his sidekick got in. How everything happens for the best. May you and your beautiful wife Nancy stay in good health always. With love and best wishes always.

Ruth Blakeney

Nazareth Nursing Home
291 W North St
Buffalo, New York 14201
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With love and best wishes always.

Ruth Polabegney
Nazerathy Nursing Home
29 Pelham St.
Buffalo, N. Y.
January 29, 1985

Dear Mr. Grebelsky:

Thank you very much for your kind letter and congratulations. Nancy joins me in this. We are sorry to hear of your ill health and will be praying for a quick recovery. Please take care of yourself and give our regards to the others there at Scharf Manor.

I'm proud to have had your support and will do my very best to be deserving of it. Again, my thanks and you take care of yourself.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. Jack Grebelsky
Scharf Manor
274 West Broadway
Long Beach, New York 11561
To Mr. Jack Trebalsky - Schaeff Manor 274 W. Broadway
Long Beach N.Y. 11561

Dear Mr. Trebalsky,

Thank you very much for your kind letter & congratulations. Nancy joins me in this. We are sorry to hear of your ill-health and wish you praying for a quick recovery. Please take care of yourself and give our regards to the others there at Schaeff Manor.

I'm proud to have had your support and will do my very best to be deserving of it. Organize my thanks & good take care of yourself.

Sincerely, RN
January 10, 1985

Dear Mr. President,

My heartiest congratulations on your re-election. I would like to attend the Inauguration of you being sworn in for the second time as President. In 1980 and 1984 I campaigned for our President. I have been a registered Democrat. On January 9, 1984 I became a resident of Scharf Manor, Long Beach, New York, and have lauded your determination of the greatest Democracy of the World. America the Beautiful

My condition and ailing condition keeps deteriorating because of a heart attacked. I am enclosing my picture taken at the Scharf Manor and the Residence all wish you luck and understanding.

As I told you in previous letter I moved out from 2780 Bronx, New York when my wife Betty became deceased on May 22, 1984. She died from diabetes and other complications. I lost valuable collections. It seemed like the World ended for, but my faith and determination keeps me alive and my family willing to help. Hoping to hear soon my best wishes for your good health to President Reagan and the First Lady Nancy. Always your friend to protect Democracy.

Your Friend,

Jack Grebelsky

P.S. Enclose find my picture

Scharf Manor
274 West Broadway
Long Beach, New York 11561
Best wishes from Jack Steamboat
To Ronald Reagan
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Always your friend to protect Democracy.

Your Friend,

Jack Scherff

P.S.: Enclose find my picture.
January 29, 1985

Dear Mr. Blackmer:

Thank you very much for your kind letter and generous words, I am most grateful. By the way, I, too, was President of my high school student body when I graduated. I also addressed the student body at BYU some years ago and remember with great pleasure how warmly I was received.

I'm most grateful for all that you did in my behalf during the campaign and am proud to have your support. Please give my regards to your family, and I hope one day our paths will cross. Nancy sends her best and I carried out your proposal.

Again, thanks and God bless you.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. Clay Lewis Blackmer
6524 South Passons Boulevard
Pico Rivera, California 90660
To Mr. Clay Lewis Blackman 6524 So. Parsons Blvd.
Pico Rivera, Calif. 90660

Dear Clay Blackman,

Thank you very much for your kind letter &
generous words. I am most grateful. By the way,
I was Pres. of my high school student body when I
graduated. I also addressed the student body at
BYU some years ago & remember with great pleasure
how warmly I was received.

I am most grateful for all that you did in my
behalf during the campaign and am proud to have
your support. Please give my regards to your
family and I hope one day our paths will cross.
Nancy sends her best and I carried out your
proposal.

Organic thanks & God bless you.

Sincerely, [Name]
January 20, 1985

President Ronald Reagan
The White House

Dear President Reagan,

Today is a most momentous day in your life, my life, and in the history of The United States of America. We as Americans are blessed with four more years of your great and wonderful leadership. How truly greatful I am.

I am Clay Lewis Blackmer of Whittier, California and am eighteen years old. The year 1984 was a great year in my life, the greatest thus far. I graduated from high school as the Associated Student Body President. I was pleased to tell myself that I carried the same title of "President" the same time you did. Also that year, I had the great oppurtunity of seeing and hearing you at the Republican National Convention. What a wonderful year it was.

Recently I left my special family of 12, to come to Brigham Young University. I am happy with my decision.

Mr. President, this letter is one that I have intended to write to you for about four years now. I have been hesitant in doing so because I have wanted to be sure that I say the right things the right way. Writing one of the greatest men to ever live is not one of the easiest things to do. Therefore I have waited until now and am so honored that you are reading this letter, which is so very important to me.

My family is so very fond of you. Together, we have watched you anxiously since your successfull campaign of 1980. Mom and Dad have always strongly supported since your days as Governor of our Great State of California. They have been married 35 years now and enjoyed you as an actor as well. All of us look at you with great respect and admiration and feel with no doubt that you are the greatest President since Abraham Lincoln.

You might say you have "grown on us". We talk about you every day and our house is full of things pertaining to President Ronald Reagan. Recently, my little sister Nicole came into my room noticing new pictures of you. She replied that I should put them in my Reagan books and then get some Reagan wallpaper. I wish I could. It's so great to really like and admire your President.

I am a very happy member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, fifth generation. Brother Richard Wirthlin was President Wirthlin about eight years ago in our Whittier Stake. I don't know if there is any other organization of people that support you more than
the "Mormons". Perhaps it shouldn't, but quite often in our youth
groups at Church one way or another we bring you into our conversation.
Shortly before election day, I handed out one hundred Reagan-Bush pins
out in less than fifteen minutes, after Church. It's almost as though
you are one of us. However, I do consider you one of us. We thank
you for representing so well this One Nation Under God.

A day has never passed when I have not thought of you, heard you, or
seen you on television. I'm honest in saying you have been part of
my family.

One of the hardest things for me to accept is the fact that you do
not even know me and prior to this letter, you didn't even know I
 existed. However, Mrs. Reagan knows I exist because at the Convention
I got her attention and called her the Queen of America.

Mrs. Reagan is a woman I love as I do my own mother. She is a
wonderful Lady and is married to a wonderful and great man.

For a while I felt as though I wouldn't be as close to you when I
got to BYU because I had to leave so much of my Reagan things behind.
I was sure happy when I arrived. Everywhere I looked, there was a
Reagan sticker and the rooms are filled with pictures of you. You
might say I feel at home at Brigham Young University. Yesterday at our
celebration for our undefeated football team, President Holland read
your telegram. Everyone was delighted and then we had a "Reagan chant".
You certainly wouldn't be unwise choosing BYU as a place to speak at.

Recently, I received an invitation from the 50th American Presidential
Inaugural Committee to attend your Inauguration. I won't be there, but
will certainly be viewing it.

I don't think my life will be completely successful if I don't meet
you and Mrs. Reagan some day. I do sincerely hope that some day I
have the honor and privilege of shaking your hand and kissing Mrs.
Reagans hand. In fact, please do so for me tonight and tell her it is
from me.

I don't need to say keep up the good work in your next term, but will
say, President Reagan may Heavenly Father continue to bless you and as
a result, continue blessing this beloved, choice land of America.

God Bless You, and if I may say so, I love you.

Love,

[Signature]

If I can ever be of any assistance to
you for anything, please let me know.

(213) 942-8200
January 20, 1985

Dear Mrs. Higgins,

Enclosed is a letter I have written to President Reagan. I hope very much that after reading it, you find it to be one of those few letters that the President should see, either at The White House or at Camp David.

I hope very much that he is able to read it, as it is perhaps one of the most special and important things I have ever done.

Thank you very much Mrs. Higgins, and good luck during your next four years at The White House.

Sincerely,

Clay Lewis Blackmer

P.S. I hope you will consider staying on until 2012 when I take office.

Clay Lewis Blackmer
6524 South Passons Blvd.
Pico Rivera, California
90660
February 1, 1985

Dear Heidi:

Things have been exceptionally busy here at the White House because of the Inauguration and all the extra hours that went with it. So, this is the first chance I've had to thank you for your kind message. I'm happy to know of your support, but most of all, I'm glad to know that you are my friend. Thank you for the poem and may God bless you.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Enclosure: Horse Photo

cc: Kathy Osborne

RR/CGM/DE/AVH/lynn--(2PMN)
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Sincerely,
TO: Connie Mackey

FROM: KATHY OSBORNE
       Personal Secretary
to the President

DATE: 1-28-85

Since I have a 10 year old
dtr. who also loves the
President, this one really
hit home. Can you please do
a nice letter over RR's
signature and maybe send a
photo also. Thanks.
Ms. Kathleen Osborne  
Personal Secretary to the President  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20500

January 24, 1985

Dear Ms. Osborne:

I would like to take a few minutes of your time to relate a situation involving my nine (9) year old daughter, Heidi Burgess, and her recent correspondence to the President.

To recap the events, just prior to the November 6th election President Reagan visited Little Rock and upon Heidi's insistence I accompanied her to the Little Rock Municipal Airport so she could view his departure. She was fortunate to see the President in his limousine and returned his wave. As soon as she arrived home, she sat down and wrote him a very loving letter (for a nine year old) which included a poem, her best wishes for his upcoming election, a request for an autographed photograph as well as a picture of herself and mailed it that very same day.

She was so inspired that she accompanied me to the polls on Election Day to assure herself that I did in fact vote for President Reagan. She has watched the news coverage, press conferences, etc. with a greater interest since her personal encounter.

Each and every day upon her arrival home from school, she has checked our mailbox in great anticipation of her letter from the President! Yesterday, January 23, 1985, in utopia as an envelop addressed to her from the "White House" was in our mailbox. After waiting patiently for my arrival home so I could open the envelop with little damage to her letter from the President, the only item in the envelop was a pamphlet entitled "The President's House". Her long-awaited letter from the President could not be found nor did it exist. To say the least, she was heartbroken.

This morning she watched with interest the CBS early morning news and was devastated upon learning of a Canadian school girl who wrote a letter to Konstantin Chernenko and received a personal letter delivered by a special messenger. Her comment was that she couldn't even get a letter from her own President!
The reason for my writing to you is to see if it is at all possible for her to receive a letter, even if it is a form letter, from the President as she still thinks that one is coming separately.

Thank you in advance for your time and understanding of the faith and inspiration that our younger generation possesses in President Reagan.

Sincerely,

Joanne M. Burgess

P.S. An autographed picture would do wonders, thanks again.
January 29, 1985

Dear Melissa:

Your letter brought tears to my eyes. Believe me, I'll do all in my power to be worthy of the support of your Dad. I know you must miss him, but he left you valuable lessons to live by, and a love for our country that will always live in your heart. I have a feeling that whenever you vote for many years to come you will give a thought to him, his courage, and his legacy to this great land of ours. Thank you for writing as you did to tell me about him.

God bless you.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Miss Melissa Cannon
4087 Audubon Drive
Marietta, Georgia 30067

BR:AVH:plr PM11

cc: K.Osborne/A.Higgins 94-EOB

1/29 Melissa Cannon

FOR POTUS TO SEE AND SIGN
Dear President Reagan,

I will not type this letter because typing it would seem impersonal. This is very personal to me and my family. On November 8th, at about 8:00 a.m. my dad died. But on November 6th he was determined to vote. He would not do an absentee vote, he had to go to the polls. My aunt wheeled him up to the booth, and without help he stood up and voted for YOU!

Later, that night when he watched the returns and saw that you had won, he was excited. At 2:30 a.m. Nov. 7th he was rushed to the hospital, he died Thursday the next day. Mr. President, I am only 15 yrs. old, but I just thought you might be proud to know that even though my dad had cancer and knew he was dying he wanted to vote for you, to give everyone a better future. I guess what I'm trying to say is: my dad knew he didn't have a future, but cared about everyone else enough to vote for you. That's all I really wanted to say. I thank you for your time.

A Loving Citizen,
Melissa Cannon

In cherished memory of,
Haskell David Rogers
"Dave"

November 8th, 1984

P.S. Even though he was only my stepfather, he was the only "DAD" I ever knew.

MC

4087 Audubon Drive
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Human Interest: For
President's Sample

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**Name of Correspondent:** Larry Sterling

**Subject:** Writer would like to know if he can be of service to the Administration.

**Office/Agency (Staff Name):** CNHamm

**Action Code:** 0

**Tracking Date:** 85/02/04

**Type of Action:** A

**Completion Date:**

**Referral Note:**

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**ACTION CODES:**

- A - Appropriate Action
- B - Non-Special Referral
- C - Comment/Recommendation
- D - Draft Response
- F - Furnish Fact Sheet
to be used as Enclosure

**DISPOSITION CODES:**

- A - Answered
- B - Non-Special Referral
- C - Completed
- S - Suspended

**FOR OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Type of Response = Initials of Signer
- Initial Code = "A"
- Completion Date = Date of Outgoing

**Comments:**

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SIGNATURE CODES:

CPn - Presidential Correspondence
  n - 0 - Unknown
  n - 1 - Ronald Wilson Reagan
  n - 2 - Ronald Reagan
  n - 3 - Ron
  n - 4 - Dutch
  n - 5 - Ron Reagan
  n - 6 - Ronald
  n - 7 - Ronnie

CLn - First Lady's Correspondence
  n - 0 - Unknown
  n - 1 - Nancy Reagan
  n - 2 - Nancy
  n - 3 - Mrs. Ronald Reagan

CBn - Presidential & First Lady's Correspondence
  n - 1 - Ronald Reagan - Nancy Reagan
  n - 2 - Ron - Nancy

MEDIA CODES:

B - Box/package
C - Copy
D - Official document
G - Message
H - Handcarried
L - Letter
M - Mailgram
O - Memo
P - Photo
R - Report
S - Sealed
T - Telegram
V - Telephone
X - Miscellaneous
Y - Study
Dear Ed,

Everyone here of course wishes you the best clearing the backlog.

Could someone let me know if there is any chance he or service to the administration? Events are unfolding & press. Thanks, Larry
Stirling manages to shed CLAPS

By Daniel Carson
Staff Writer

SACRAMENTO — Larry Stirling acknowledges he feared the headlines might read, "Assemblyman Gets CLAPS."

CLAPS, to Capitol insiders, is shorthand for the Assembly Criminal Law and Public Safety Committee. Stirling, a San Diego Republican, is its newly appointed chairman.

When Assembly Speaker Willie Brown, D-San Francisco, yesterday announced the other five members of the panel, he also announced that its name had been changed to the Assembly Public Safety Committee.

Stirling says he sought the new name, because — at first glance — some people found the old name reminding them of a social disease rather than a legislative committee.

"I did not like the term that trivializes the committee known as CLAPS," said Stirling. "I would not be chairman of the CLAPS committee."

The title of Public Safety "will focus more on its intended purpose," Stirling said.

And Stirling expressed pleasure with the committee appointments announced yesterday by Brown, even though they leave Republicans at the short end of a 4-2 split with the Democrats.

Brown determined that Assembly members Burt Margolin and Gwen Moore, both Los Angeles Democrats, will each return to the panel. New Democrats on the committee are Charles Calderon of Montebello and Robert Campbell of Richmond.

The only other Republican besides Stirling is Don Rogers of Bakersfield.

"I've worked with them all for several years. I know and respect each of them," said Stirling. "It's a positive sign from the speaker he's interested in a fair and balanced committee."

Whether the voting pattern of the appointees will be different from their predecessors — who were attacked by law-and-order conservatives for killing favorite anti-crime bills — will be tested in coming months. Among the major issues likely to come before the panels are measures to stiffen the death-penalty statutes, allow hearsay testimony in child-abuse trials, and keep in place prior reforms of the bail system.

Brown's committee announcements also confirmed reports in The San Diego Union last month that Assemblyman Steve Peace, D-Chula Vista, would be named to the budget-writing Assembly Ways and Means Committee.

But the San Diego County delegation suffered a net loss of two seats from the powerful panel through which all money bills must pass.

Stirling and Robert Frazee, R-Carlsbad, both lost their seats because they were appointed committee chairmen. Frazee will lead the Assembly Consumer Protection Committee.