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SCHEDULED  
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- 1) Subject: Meeting with presidents and executive directors of the fifty state municipal leagues to discuss various Administration policies - at the Naval Observatory
- 2) Picnic with the 1983 Best of Class graduating seniors from the Washington, D.C. area
- 3) Presentation of "E" and "E Star" awards to outstanding exporting firms in recognition of World Trade Week
- 4) Meeting with handicapped girl scouts ~~from~~ from El Cajon, California

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5) Subject: Meeting with the National Elementary  
School Chess Champions, Senator  
Richard Lugar, and Governor Robert  
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6) Reenactment of the signing of S. 271,  
National Trails Systems for  
~~Senator~~ Congresswoman Beverly Byron  
and American Hiking Society  
~~and~~ officials:  
A) Thomas HAAS  
B) ERIC SEABORG

7) Meeting with Senator Strom Thurmond and  
LEE Harold LETTS to receive a bronze  
sculpture entitled "BALD EAGLE"

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of the City Hall in Rocky Mount, North  
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9) Meeting with Congressman and Mrs  
William LIPINSKI.

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10) Video taping session for:  
A) Brotherhood Ball of the National  
Conference of Christians and Jews  
B) NOSOTROS Golden Eagle Award  
C) Utah Republican State Convention  
D) Nevada Economic Development  
Company's "Marketplace 1983"  
Conference

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E) Physical Therapy Association  
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Referral Note:



THE SCHEDULE OF  
PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN

Monday, May 23, 1983

*Mr. St. Helms  
Va. Republic*



9:00 am (30 min)	<u>Staff Time</u> (Baker, Meese, Deaver)	Oval Office
9:30 am (15 min)	<u>National Security Briefing</u> (Clark)	Oval Office
9:45 am (15 min)	<u>Meeting with Secretary Shultz</u> (Clark)	Oval Office
10:00 am (90 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
11:30 am (15 min)	<u>Dropby Briefing for State and Municipal Leagues</u> (Williamson/Henkel) (Tab A)	State Dining
12:00 m (60 min)	<u>Depart for Lunch with High School Valedictorians</u> (Fuller/Henkel) (Tab B) (draft remarks attached)	U.S. Naval Observatory
1:00 pm (30 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
1:30 pm (15 min)	<u>Presentation of Outstanding Expozer Awards</u> (Fuller/Henkel) (Tab C) (draft remarks attached)	Rose Garden
2:00 pm (2 hrs)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
4:00 pm (15 min)	<u>Official Photograph</u> (Evans)	Colonnade
4:15 pm (10 min)	<u>Greet Handicapped Girl Scout Troop from El Cajon, California</u> (Meese) (Tab D)	Roosevelt Room
4:30 pm (30 min)	<u>Congressional Photo Time</u> (Duberstein) (Tab E)	Oval Office
5:00 pm (30 min)	<u>Taping Session</u> (Bakshian/Goode) (Tab F) (draft remarks attached)	Diplomatic Reception Room
6:30 pm (2 hrs)	<u>Congressional Dinner</u> (Duberstein/Rosebush) (Tab G)	State Dining Room

UNP 5/20/83  
4:00 pm



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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Monday, May 23, 1983

*9:05 - OVAL*

9:00 am (30 min)	<u>Staff Time</u> (Baker, Meese, Deaver)	Oval Office
9:30 am (15 min)	<u>National Security Briefing</u> <i>9:25 - Bush, Clark</i> (Clark) <i>ADM. POW. DEXTER, McCARLINA 9:35</i> <i>JB, MKD, SW</i>	Oval Office
9:45 am (15 min)	<u>Meeting with Secretary Shultz</u> <i>9:43 - 10:23</i> (Clark) <i>SECY NAM</i>	Oval Office
<del>10:00</del> 10:00 am (90 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u> <i>HEINZ NUSSBAUMER - PHOTO 10:23 -</i>	Oval Office
<del>11:20</del> 11:30 am (15 min)	<i>BRANT SCOWROTH - 11:32</i> <u>Dropby Briefing for State and</u> <u>Municipal Leagues</u> (Williamson/Henkel) (Tab A)	State Dining
12:00 m (60 min)	<u>Depart for Lunch with High School</u> <u>Valedictorians</u> (Fuller/Henkel) (Tab B) (draft remarks attached)	U.S. Naval Observatory
1:00 pm (30 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u> <i>1:06 -</i>	Oval Office
<i>Mary</i> 1:30 pm (15 min)	<u>Presentation of Outstanding</u> <i>1:30 - 1:40</i> <u>Exporter Awards</u> (Fuller/Henkel) (Tab C) (draft remarks attached).	Rose Garden
2:00 pm (2 hrs)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u> <i>1:40 -</i>	Oval Office
<del>4:00 pm</del> (15 min)	<del><u>Official Photograph</u></del> (Evans)	<del>Colonnade</del>
4:15 pm (10 min)	<u>Greet Handicapped Girl Scout Troop</u> <u>from El Cajon, California</u> <i>4:15 - 4:28</i> (Meese) (Tab D)	Roosevelt Room
4:30 pm (30 min)	<u>Congressional Photo Time</u> <i>4:30 - 4:55</i> (Duberstein) (Tab E)	Oval Office
5:00 pm (30 min)	<u>Taping Session</u> <i>5:05 - 5:35</i> (Bakshian/Goode) (Tab F) (draft remarks attached)	Diplomatic Reception Room
6:30 pm (2 hrs)	<u>Congressional Dinner</u> (Duberstein/Rosebush) (Tab G)	State Dining Room



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9:30 am (15 min)	<u>National Security Briefing</u> (Clark) <i>John Paenderter</i>	Oval Office
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10:00 am (90 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u> <i>HEIWEZ NUSSBAUMER</i>	Oval Office
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12:00 m (60 min)	<u>Depart for Lunch with High School Valedictorians</u> (Fuller/Henkel) <i>no remarks</i> (Tab B) (draft remarks attached) <i>Q &amp; A</i>	U.S. Naval Observatory
1:00 pm (30 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
1:30 pm (15 min)	<u>Presentation of Outstanding Exporter Awards</u> (Fuller/Henkel) (Tab C) (draft remarks attached)	Rose Garden
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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

May 24, 1983

TO: DAVE FISCHER  
FROM: PAM TURNER  
SUBJECT: Attendance at Meeting with President

Monday, May 23, 1983, Senator Strom Thurmond met with the President in the Oval Office. Senator Thurmond was accompanied by Lee Letts who presented an eagle to the President.

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

May 26, 1983

TO: DAVE FISCHER  
FROM: PAM TURNER  
SUBJECT: Attendance at Meeting with the President

The following individuals were present at a meeting with the President on May 23, 1983 in the Oval Office at 4:35 p.m. (5 minutes):

Senator Richard Lugar (R-Indiana)  
Governor Robert Orr (R-Indiana)

National Elementary School Chess Champions

Anthony Allen  
Derrick Brownie  
Curtis Carson  
Anthony Elliott  
Dale Foster  
Stephen Garrett  
Keith Hunter  
Thomas Petty  
Dexter Robertson  
Corey Scruggs  
Derrick Thomas

Advisors

Robert Cotter  
Len Wallace  
Daryl Lakes  
Morgan

Principal of Public School #27 (Indianapolis, Indiana)

John Patterson

Kenneth M. Duberstein  
Richard S. Williamson

PAM TURNER

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

June 7, 1983

TO: DAVE FISCHER  
FROM: PAM TURNER   
SUBJECT: Attendance at Meeting with the President

The following individuals attended a meeting with the President on May 23, 1983. Senator Strom Thurmond brought Mr. Lee Letts in to present a bronze eagle sculpture to the President.

Participants

The President  
Senator Strom Thurmond (R-South Carolina)  
Lee Harold Letts

Staff

Pamela J. Turner

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

May 23, 1983

TO: Dave Fischer  
FROM: Pam Turner  
SUBJECT: Senate Attendance at Presentation of  
"E" and "E Star" Awards to Outstanding  
Exporters.

Senator Nancy Kassebaum  
Senator John Heinz

Regret

Senator Robert Dole  
Senator William Cohen  
Senator Robert Kasten

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 24, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR DAVE FISCHER

FROM: M. B. OGLESBY, JR. 

SUBJECT: Presidential Dinner Attendance

The following individuals were in attendance last evening at the dinner with the President to discuss the MX Resolution of Approval:

The Vice President  
Secretary of State George Shultz  
Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger  
Deputy Secretary of State Ken Dam  
General John Vessey, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

Members of the House of Representatives

Bob Michel (R-Illinois)  
Trent Lott (R-Mississippi)  
Tom Foley (D-Washington)  
Jack Edwards (R-Alabama)  
Bill Dickinson (R-Alabama)  
Ralph Regula (R-Ohio)  
Buddy Roemer (D-Louisiana)  
Norm Dicks (D-Washington)  
Al Gore (D-Tennessee)  
Elliott Levitas (D-Georgia)  
Bill Clinger (R-Pennsylvania)  
Bill Broomfield (R-Michigan)  
Marge Roukema (R-New Jersey)  
Bill Frenzel (R-Minnesota)  
Joe McDade (R-Pennsylvania)  
Tom Ridge (R-Pennsylvania)  
Joel Pritchard (R-Washington)  
George O'Brien (R-Illinois)  
Steny Hoyer (D-Maryland)  
Les Aspin (D-Wisconsin)  
Carl Pursell (R-Michigan)  
Robin Britt (D-North Carolina)  
Lindsay Thomas (D-Georgia)  
Steve Neal (D-North Carolina)

Members of the House of Representatives (cont'd)

Fred Boucher (D-Virginia)  
Alan Mollohan (D-West Virginia)  
Beryl Anthony (D-Arkansas)  
Beverly Byron (D-Maryland)  
Vin Weber (R-Minnesota)  
Don Fuqua (D-Florida)  
Tony Hall (D-Ohio)  
Jim Cooper (D-Tennessee)  
Sherry Boehlert (R-New York)  
Jim Slattery (D-Kansas)  
Harry Reid (D-Nevada)  
Robert Matsui (D-California)  
John Spratt (D-South Carolina)  
Ike Andrews (D-North Carolina)  
John Murtha (D-Pennsylvania)

Members of the Commission on Strategic Forces

Brent Scowcroft, Chairman

Nick Brady  
Jim Woolsey  
Lloyd Cutler  
Harold Brown  
James Schlesinger  
Jack Lyons  
Bill Clements  
Dr. John Deutch

Staff

Edwin Meese, James Baker, William Clark, Dick Darman, Robert McFarlane, Ken Duberstein, M. B. Oglesby, Jr., Russ Rourke, Max Friedersdorf

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 24, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: DAVE FISCHER  
FROM: M. B. OGLESBY, JR.  
SUBJECT: Attendance for Congressional Meetings with the President 5/23

The following individuals met with the President Monday, May 23:

4:15 p.m.

Congressman Duncan Hunter  
Girl Scout Troop from district in California

4:45 p.m.

Congressman William Lipinski  
Mrs. William (Rose) Lipinski

Staff

M. B. Oglesby, Jr.

4:50 p.m.

Congresswoman Beverly Byron  
Mr. Eric Seaborg  
Mr. Thomas Haas  
Mr. Kimball Byron (son)

Staff

M. B. Oglesby, Jr.

# WHITE HOUSE GIFT REGISTER

Date Received: May 23, 1983 Accepted By: The President  
Name of Donor: Thomas Haas Eric Seaborg, President  
Board of Directors American Hiking Society  
Title: American Hiking Society 3205 Cleveland Avenue, N.W.  
23 Upham Road Washington, D. C. 20008  
Address: Amherst, New Hampshire 03031  
Country: U.S.A.

## PRESENTED BY:

Donor: above Other (Name): \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Circumstances of Presentation: (including date; location, and purpose of event) Messrs. Haas and Seaborg  
were brought in to meet the President on May 23, 1983 by Congresswoman  
Beverly Byron for a reenactment of the signing of S. 271, National  
Trail Systems Amendments.

Description of Gift: Two American Hiking Society T-shirts (one for the  
President and one for the First Lady).

## GIFT INTENDED FOR:

President:  First Lady:  President & First Lady:

Other First Family Member (Name): \_\_\_\_\_

Other (Name): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Office: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Copy Attached: \_\_\_\_\_ To be Handled by Gift Unit: xxx  
(Only for President and/or First Lady)

Disposition: To White House Gift Unit, Room 494, OEOB (456-7133) Date: MAY 23, 1983

Report Prepared by: David L. Wright Tel: x 7542

OTHER COMMENTS: A copy of the gift thank-you letter should be  
sent to Congresswoman Beverly Byron and to David Wright, 112  
East Wing, The White House

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

May 26, 1983

TO: Dave Fischer  
FROM: Pam Turner  
SUBJECT: Senate Attendance with the President

The following met with the President on MAY 23, 1983 at  
4:40 p.m. in the Oval Office.

Senator Jesse Helms  
Mayor Jack Laughery  
James Trotter

Staff

Pam Turner

Regret

Ken Duberstein  
Rich Williamson

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 23, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR DAVE FISCHER

FROM:

M. B. OGLESBY, JR. *MB*

SUBJECT:

Presidential Meeting Attendance

The following Congressmen were in attendance at the "E" Awards Ceremony today at 1:30 p.m., in the Rose Garden:

Member of Congress (House)

Jim Slattery (D-Kansas)  
Ed Bethune (R-Arkansas)  
John McKernan (R-Maine)  
Earl Hutto (D-Florida)  
Don Fuqua (D-Florida)  
Andy Ireland (D-Florida)  
Dan Mica (D-Florida)  
Dan Lungren (R-California)  
Phil Gramm (R-Texas)

Staff:

David L. Wright  
John Scruggs



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 20, 1983

BRIEFING FOR STATE MUNICIPAL LEAGUES

DATE: MONDAY, MAY 23, 1983  
TIME: 9:00 - 11:45 a.m.  
(You will attend at 11:30 - 11:45)  
LOCATION: STATE DINING ROOM  
FROM: RICHARD S. WILLIAMSON



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I. PURPOSE

This is an opportunity to brief approximately 75 presidents and executive directors of the fifty state municipal leagues on various Administration policies. This will enable them to return to their respective states and speak effectively on behalf of your programs.

II. BACKGROUND

The fifty state leagues (for example, Georgia Municipal Association, South Dakota Association of Cities, etc.) represent the interests of cities and towns at the state and federal level. The fifty state leagues are affiliate members of the National League of Cities. The state leagues are mainly comprised of medium to small sized cities and tend to be conservative and grass-roots oriented.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Approximately 75 presidents and executive directors of the fifty state municipalities.

The Vice President  
Caspar Weinberger  
Martin Feldstein  
Gary Jones, Under Secretary, Education  
Jack Svahn, Under Secretary, HHS  
Rich Williamson

IV. PRESS PLAN

No press coverage during the briefing.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

9:00	Rich Williamson welcomes the group.
9:15-9:40	Martin Feldstein -- Remarks and Q&A on the economy.
9:40-10:05	Gary Jones -- Remarks and Q&A on education issues.
10:05-10:30	Jack Svahn -- Remarks and Q&A on social security issues.
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-11:15	Caspar Weinberger -- Remarks and Q&A on defense issues.
11:15-11:30	The Vice President -- Remarks and Q&A.
11:30	You arrive, make brief remarks. (See Attachment I - Talking Points) and respond to Q&A.
11:45	You may leave.
11:50	Briefing adjourned.

SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS FOR BRIEFING  
FOR STATE MUNICIPAL LEAGUES  
May 23, 1983

- Welcome. I am delighted that you are able to be here for this briefing on many of the initiatives which are being undertaken by my Administration.
- I know you have had a chance to be briefed on the economy, social security, education and defense issues. I'd like to focus my remarks on the economy and on some other issues which I know are important to you.
- With respect to the economy, we know that last year was a period of painful economic readjustment for all levels of government. Local governments were particularly hard hit.
- I realize that your job has not been made any easier by the recession and the unemployment that came with it. But these problems have been a long time in the making and we knew they would take some time to correct. We also knew that we would not serve you well if we turned to the same quick fixes that have been used in the past -- artificial answers that masked economic problems for awhile, and then, after a couple of years, made them far worse.

- The policies of the 1970's, though often well-intentioned, had a very damaging cumulative effect. While GNP increased only 70% between 1976 and 1981, Federal taxes more than doubled and federal spending jumped 80%.
- In order to change the situation, I chose an economic program with one overriding objective: to restore long-term, non-inflationary, economic growth.
- Fortunately, inflation has been whipped -- for now. Last year it was 3.9%, the lowest in a decade. And in the past six months, it's been at five tenths of a percent, the lowest 6 months of any time in 22 years.
- The economic recovery that will create new jobs is now taking shape. Almost all economists are now agreed on that. And they have good reason.
- The index of leading economic indicators climbed 3.5% in January, the largest increase since July, 1950 and were up again in February. In January and February, construction spending soared 13% over the same period last year, and U.S. auto production was more than 50% higher than the levels a year ago.

- To maintain this progress, we have to continue to slow the growth of federal spending. We must also do nothing that will impede the recovery, or worse, stop it in its tracks.
  
- As you know, in February of this year I sent to Congress my Federalism package comprising four mega-block grants. I want to make it clear how strong my personal commitment is to these proposals and to returning to you the responsibility and autonomy which you have long called for.
  
- Included as part of the Federal-Local block grant is the preservation of General Revenue Sharing for five years at current funding levels. Now, I understand that you, as local officials, need to plan your budgets, many of which begin in July. With that in mind, I have sent to the Congress a separate revenue sharing bill which re-authorizes the program for three years.
  
- Another issue which I know is important to you is the result of the recent Supreme Court ruling in the Boulder case: municipal antitrust liability. I share your concerns about intrusions into state and local autonomy.

-- I want you to know that we support legislation which would provide an exemption to federal antitrust laws for local governments provided that the following conditions are met:

--local governments are acting under the authority of state law, and

--localities are acting within their government or police power capacity.

-- And lastly, a subject which I know Gary Jones discussed with you earlier, but one which is very important to me -- our education system.

-- The time has come for a grassroots campaign for educational renewal. We must restore parents and local governments to their rightful role in the education process. Quality education can best be achieved through decentralization of education decision-making rather than continued federal direction and control.

-- Many claim the solution to the problem is to pour more money into it. I know you've heard stories about major spending cutbacks, but total expenditures in the Nation's public schools this year are expected to reach \$116.9 billion. That's an increase of 7 percent over last year and more than double what was spent just ten years ago.

- While throwing money at the problem is not the solution, there is much the Federal Government can do to help set a national agenda for excellence in education. We should reward excellence. Teachers should be paid and promoted on the basis of their merit and competence.
  
- We can also encourage excellence by encouraging parental choice. That's what we're trying to do through our programs of tax credits and vouchers: allowing individual parents to choose the kinds of schools they know to be best for their children's needs.
  
- But, I didn't come here today for a monologue, I came for a dialogue, so now I'd like to hear your comments and questions.

*B*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 20, 1983

PICNIC WITH THE 1983 "BEST OF THE CLASS" GRADUATING  
SENIORS FROM THE WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA

DATE: May 23, 1983  
LOCATION: Naval Observatory  
TIME: 12:00 noon (portal to portal)  
FROM: Craig L. Fuller

I. PURPOSE

To salute the 1983 "Best of the Class" graduating seniors from the District, Maryland and Northern Virginia.

II. BACKGROUND

General Motors, in conjunction with fifty television stations across the country, is sponsoring a unique public service program designed to recognize and encourage academic excellence among high school students.

The program, called "The Best of the Class" of 1983, recognizes valedictorians or top scholastically ranked seniors by featuring them in minute-long television spots. The stations will produce the spots honoring an estimated 7,000 seniors representing more than 5,000 high schools nationwide and air them in their respective viewing areas during the May-June graduation period.

General Motors and WDVM-TV (Channel 9) are jointly conducting the program in the Washington, D.C. area and are planning a day-long series of activities on May 23 for the 291 top high school students from the District of Columbia, Northern Virginia and Maryland suburbs. The program will be held on the grounds of the U.S. Naval Observatory.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Mrs. Bush  
Gary Jones, Undersecretary of Education  
F. James McDonald, President of General Motors  
Edwin Pfeiffer, Vice-President-General Manager, WDVM (9)

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House Press

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- ° You will be greeted by James McDonald, President of General Motors and Edwin Pfeiffer, Vice-President and General Manager of WDVM, Channel 9.
- ° You will take a seat at a table with 9 students selected at random for a picnic lunch.
- ° Mrs. Bush will make brief remarks and introduce you.
- ° You will go to the podium, make remarks and depart.

(Parvin/AB)  
May 20, 1983  
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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: BEST OF CLASS OF 1983  
U.S. NAVAL OBSERVATORY  
MONDAY, MAY 23, 1983

First I want to welcome you -- the Best of the Class of 1983 -- to the Naval Observatory. I just recently graduated from high school myself. Well, maybe it just seems like it was recently; it was actually 55 years ago. I know . . . I find it hard to believe, too.

With high school behind you, most of you will be going off to college. I have to be honest. I didn't hit the books as much as I should have in college. I was more interested in activities and sports. And I often think, imagine how far I could've gone if I'd studied.

Well, you here today have studied and gotten good grades and I'm sure you will in college, too. But others aren't doing as well as you. About 13 percent of our 17-year-olds are functional illiterates, and, among minority youths, the rate may run as high as 40 percent. More than two-thirds of our high schoolers can't write a decent essay. Since 1963, the Scholastic Aptitude Test scores have shown a virtually unbroken decline. And when compared to students in other industrialized nations, American students don't fare very well at all.

The National Commission on Excellence in Education, which I appointed soon after taking office, recently turned in its report, and the grade for American education is a "U" for unsatisfactory. But let me make one thing very clear: America's young people are just as smart as they ever were. It's the

well-intentioned, but misguided policymakers who haven't been too smart. The Federal Government should wear a dunce cap for its incompetence and inefficiency in dealing with education matters over recent years.

There was a time not too long ago when most politicians would have tried to solve the education problem with one five-letter word: money. Many still believe this. They believe you just pour money on a problem like syrup on a pancake and everything will come out sweet. Well, those kids and the parents of those kids who can barely read or write don't think the taste is so sweet.

And the problem isn't funding. In spite of all the stories you hear about spending cutbacks, according to the National Education Association, total expenditures in the Nation's public schools this year are expected to reach \$116.9 billion. That's up nearly 7 percent from last year alone and more than double what it was 10 years ago. So if money alone were the answer, the problem would be getting better not worse.

What went wrong? We lost sight of the basics like English, math and science instruction. We lost sight of the need for school discipline and the need to reward those teachers who do a good job. We lost sight of the fact that parents must take some responsibility in the education of their children and that we can't have excellence unless we have meaningful standards. As a result of all this, much of our massive government investment in education has been squandered.

If we are to meet the educational needs of the young men and women who follow you in our schools, we must reexamine our priorities and what we are asking of our public schools, our teachers, our parents and our students.

Education is so important. It has always been the key that opened the golden door, that door of opportunity and betterment -- a threshold that each of you has crossed with distinction. Well, today I want to give you a guarantee that we are going to recover that key and keep the door open. We are going to generate a grassroots campaign that unites parents, teachers, students and concerned citizens to provide a solid education so that all American students will have the chance to excel as you have. You'll be hearing more of our plans in the weeks and months ahead.

Now I don't want to go on here too long; it's just that I get riled up when I think so many of our kids aren't getting the education they deserve. Each of you is living proof of how much can be achieved when our education system works; we want to make it work for everyone. So, again, congratulations on your work and congratulations to General Motors and the various TV stations for recognizing your good work. Thanks for coming, and God bless you.

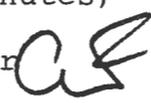
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 20, 1983

PRESENTATION OF "E" AND "E STAR" AWARDS  
TO OUTSTANDING EXPORTERS

DATE: May 23, 1983  
LOCATION: Rose Garden  
TIME: 1:30 pm (15 minutes)  
FROM: Craig L. Fuller 

I. PURPOSE

To give recognition to World Trade Week and to present the "E" and "E Star" awards for excellence in exporting.

II. BACKGROUND

World Trade Week 1983 will be observed May 22-28 in accordance with Presidential proclamation. The Department of Commerce and numerous business organizations will sponsor programs throughout the country to dramatize export expansion as the most positive way to improve the U.S. balance of trade and balance of payments positions.

You will observe World Trade Week by presenting the "E" and "E Star" Awards to selected U.S. manufacturers and other organizations for sustained contributions to our Nation's export expansion efforts. They are outstanding U.S. exporters who are geographically diverse and represent a variety of business interests. Your participation in the ceremony will:

- o demonstrate that small and medium sized companies can effectively participate in this national goal;
- o emphasize to the business community that the U.S. must be an unrelenting advocate of free trade;
- o promote continuing awareness of the importance of world trade to our Nation's economic well-being; and
- o give impetus to the entire range of our Government's efforts to strengthen this Nation's export position in world trade.

III. PARTICIPANTS

J. Paul Lyet, Chairman, President's Export Council; and Award recipients (list attached).

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House Press

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENT

- Proceed to the dais and greet Paul Lyet.
- Make brief remarks and present certificates. Mr. Lyet will announce each recipient.
- The recipients will remain on the dais for a group photo.

RECIPIENTS

Mr. Edward C. Burns  
President  
Beech Aircraft Corporation  
Wichita, Kansas

Mr. Jake Hartz, Jr.  
President  
Jacob Hartz Seed Company, Inc.  
Stuttgart, Arkansas

Mr. Ralph H. Chew  
President  
National Association of Export Companies  
New York, New York

Mr. Wayne Mixson  
Lt. Governor and Secretary of Commerce  
Florida Department of Commerce  
Tallahassee, Florida

Mr. William Dickson  
President  
Atlantic Antibodies, Inc.  
Scarborough, Maine

Mr. Thomas A. Bullock, Chairman  
Mr. Charles B. Thomsen, President  
and Chief Executive Officer  
CRS Group, Inc.  
Houston, Texas

Mr. P. Ralph Helm  
President  
Manitowoc Engineering Company  
Manitowoc, Wisconsin

Mr. Louis E. Waxman  
President  
Colonial Beef Company  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Mrs. Gene Kaplan  
President  
Board of Harbor Commissioners  
Los Angeles Harbor Department  
San Pedro, California

(Maseng/AB)  
May 20, 1983  
3:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: PRESENTATION OF OUTSTANDING EXPORTER  
AWARDS  
MONDAY, MAY 23, 1983

Thank you very much, and welcome to the White House. It's always a pleasure to welcome America's entrepreneurs to our beautiful national home set on these lovely grounds. I know the high-risk, rough and tumble world of business you come from is no Rose Garden, so you deserve to spend some time here once in a while.

Since this is World Trade Week, there couldn't be a better time to receive you and present your well-deserved "E" and "E Star" awards for achievement in exporting. America's future growth and prosperity depend on how well we find, open and compete in foreign markets.

Exports mean jobs for our people, profits for our businesses and growth for our economy. Already, one out of eight manufacturing jobs and one in three agriculture jobs relate directly to exporting. Yet 90 percent of American manufacturers do not export at all. We believe there are tens of thousands of American enterprises -- many of them small and medium-sized businesses like some of yours -- that could compete successfully in foreign markets but don't. There is a \$2 trillion market out there just waiting for us. I know we have the talent, skills and products to compete; we just need to encourage American business to take up the challenge. Those of you here have been in the forefront of the export effort so far. We hope your highly successful and profitable examples will encourage others.

Our Administration has a plan to help our exports. First, we are laying an economic foundation of noninflationary growth, incentives and thrift. Second, we are working with our trading partners to open more markets to you and move toward trading practices that are at once more free and more fair. Third, we have taken the lead in assisting international financial and trade institutions. We hope that by encouraging more stable and growth-oriented economies abroad we will not only create more international demand for our goods, but we will also bolster freedom, democracy and world security.

One of the legislative achievements I am most proud of is the Export Trading Company Act. Enacted last year, it is already providing thousands of small and medium-sized businesses with new opportunities in foreign trade. By removing impediments to trade and permitting more efficient sale of American products abroad, we believe this act will increase our exports by up to \$11 billion by 1985. That could translate into hundreds of thousands of jobs for our people.

But the real key to export expansion lies in the efforts of people like you who have the vision to see an opportunity and the gumption to take the chance. We are all grateful for your initiative and cheer your success. Congratulations on not only the awards we present you today, but on the hard work that won them for you.

And now it is my privilege to present the President's "E" and "E Star" awards for excellence in exporting.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 20, 1983

BRIEFING PAPER FOR THE PRESIDENT

MEETING: HANDICAPPED GIRL SCOUTS OF TROOP  
6050 FROM EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA

DATE: MAY 23, 1983

TIME: 4:15 p.m. (10 Minutes)

LOCATION: ROOSEVELT ROOM

FROM: EDWIN MEESE III

I. PURPOSE

To greet eight handicapped girl scouts (ages 6 - 17) and their twelve adult escorts, who will present you with a proclamation from the Mayor of El Cajon, California.

II. BACKGROUND

Girl Scout Troop 6050 emphasizes service to others and demonstrates this by visits to local hospitals and nursing homes, and community work on behalf of the Salvation Army and the Easter Seal Society. One of the ongoing goals of this Troop is to promote better understanding between the handicapped and non-handicapped members of their community. These girls have been working for two years in order to finance this trip to Washington. They have worked on numerous fundraisers and sold more Girl Scout cookies and calenders than any other Troop in the area. Various charitable organizations, local groups and churches have helped make this trip possible. It is truly a private sector initiative success story.

III. PARTICIPANTS

See Attached.

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House Photographer and limited press coverage (Wire Service Photographer and writer pool).

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- o Mary Lewis, troop leader, will introduce the girl scouts and the adults accompanying them.

- o They will then present you with gifts, and a formal letter of introduction from the Mayor of El Cajon, California.
- o All depart Roosevelt Room.

PARTICIPANTS

Congressman Duncan Hunter

Troop 6050:

Amber Duclos  
Amy Gordon  
Kirstie Klodzienski  
Lainey Lewis  
Bridget Payne  
Susan Petrucelli  
Diana Plumbley  
Andria Warnberg

Troop Leaders and Adults:

Sam Evins  
Susan Evins  
Terri Gordon  
Jim Graybeal  
Jean Graybeal  
Margaret Hogenson  
Peggy Larson  
Mary Lewis  
Laurie Klodzienski  
Ellen Sutton  
Margaret Sutton  
Delinda Plumbley

# Nothing can stop 8 girls who vow to visit capital

By Vern Griffin  
Tribune Staff Writer

**L**IKE THOUSANDS of Girl Scouts throughout San Diego County, Lainey Lewis went door-to-door selling cookies last year to help raise money for a special troop project.

The 11-year-old chalked up more than 175 sales for her El Cajon troop, contributing to one of the most successful drives in the East County and one that moved the girls closer to their goal: a trip to Washington, D.C.

Eight of the 11 determined youngsters who comprise one of only two handicapped Girl Scout troops in the county, are heading for the nation's capital tomorrow. The White House calendar has them scheduled for a visit with President Reagan Monday.

And their parents, leaders, and other area scouting officials couldn't be more proud of their achievement.

The girls, each of whom is in some way disabled and confined to a wheelchair, have worked for two

*'The girls just decided Washington was where they wanted to go'*

years toward this trip. They raised almost a third of the money themselves.

"We don't have very many kids who aren't handicapped who make it to Washington, D.C., and meet the president," said Lisa Cid, director of

public relations for the San Diego-Imperial County Girl Scout Council. "We don't know of any such troop that has ever gone all the way to Washington. They did an awful lot of fund-raising on their own to get there."

Lainey's mother and troop leader, Mary Lewis, is among several adults who are accompanying the girls east.

"The girls just decided Washington was where they wanted to go," Lewis said. "And they started working for it two years ago. I like to think that this will be the end of a two-year journey, to start a six-day trip. I couldn't be more proud of the girls."

Lewis said the six-day trip to Washington is costing \$7,000, of which the girls raised \$2,000. Local East County organizations, including the Elks, also helped.

The Scout leader said the trip wouldn't be possible without the help of Elks Lodge No. 1812 of El Cajon, which contributed \$2,350 for the group's air fare. And the Easter Seal Society of San Diego County donated \$1,000 for lodging in Washington.

"For two years running, we had more cookie and calendar sales than any other troop as small as ours in the East County," Lewis said. "All of the girls are unique."

They are Lainey, Susan Petrucelli, 10; Kirstie Klodzienski, 6; Amber Duclos, 9; Amy Gordon, 12; Bridget Payne, 17; Diana Plumbley, 8; and Andria Warnberg, 12.

"The kids in the troop have everything from cerebral palsy and Down's Syndrome to muscular atrophy or open or divided spinal cords," Lewis said.

"But the kids aren't handicapped as much as some of the adults around them. They may not be able to play kickball, but some of them are doing wonderfully academically. And they all enjoy life to the fullest."

Six-year-old Kirstie Klodzienski, in her first year as a Scout this year, sold 161 boxes of cookies from her wheelchair.

"I can hardly wait," she said in anticipation of the journey.

Added her mother, Laurie Klodzienski: "She has brought a lot of sunshine into our lives."

Scout leaders in San Diego County expect the visit to Washington by Troop 6050 to draw national attention. First Lady Nancy Reagan is honorary national president of the Girl Scouts, and the meeting with the president is scheduled for 4:15 EST Monday.



SCOUTS HEADING TO WASHINGTON

From left are Mary Lewis, Lainey Lewis, Kirstie Klodzienski and Susan Petrucelli

Tribune photo by Vern Griffin

Lewis said the girls have received a proclamation of their achievement from Mayor John Reber of El Cajon. They are expected to receive a proclamation from the Board of Supervisors when they leave Lindbergh Field tomorrow morning.

Despite the excitement surrounding the project, there has been one sad note to it all.

"Two of the girls who worked hard to make the trip have died during the past two years," Lewis said.

"That's the hard part. But we're still going to carry those girls in our hearts."