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TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

TELEPHONE MEMORANDUM
SIGNAL SWITCHBOARD

January 1, 1992

	TIME		NAME	ACTION
	PLACED	DISC		
OUT	6:58 AM	7:04	Mr. Samuel K. Skinner Office, Washington, D.C. White House Signal 7-2287	Tlkd-ok 6:59 AM
INC	PM			
OUT	7:04 AM	7:07	Ms. Bridget M. Montagne Office, Washington, D.C. 456-2990	Tlkd-ok 7:05 AM
INC	PM			
OUT	7:07 AM	7:12	Ms. Patricia A. Presock Residence, Fairfax, Virginia White House Signal 7-3804	Tlkd-ok 7:07 AM
INC	PM			
OUT	7:35 AM	7:41	Dr. Hugh E. Marsden (b)(6)	Tlkd-ok 7:38 AM
INC	PM			
OUT	7:54 AM	8:56	Governor Pete Wilson Office, Sacramento, California 916-445-2843	Tlkd-with Mr. Farish 7:56 AM Tlkd-ok 8:50 AM
INC	PM			
OUT	7:54 AM	7:56	Mrs. Barbara Bush Ritz Carlton Hotel Sydney, Australia Sydney Signal 3-6301	Tlkd-ok 7:55 AM via YANKEE ZULU
INC	PM			
OUT	9:27 AM	9:37	Mr. Robert Teeter Office, Andover, Michigan 313-668-2621	Tlkd-ok 9:31 AM
INC	PM			
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Bush Presidential Library Photocopy

PRESIDENTIAL MOVEMENTS

LOCATION Sydney, Australia
Canberra, Australia

DATE 1 January 1992

TIME	MOVEMENTS
0752	Depart Ritz Carlton Hotel via Motorcade (LOW KEY)
0754	Arrive Scott College (LOW KEY)
0835	Depart Scott College via Motorcade (LOW KEY)
0838	Arrive Ritz Carlton Hotel (LOW KEY)
1029	Depart Ritz Carlton Hotel via Motorcade
1044	Arrive Kirribilli House
1155	Depart Kirribilli House via Motorcade
1207	Arrive Maritime Museum
1246	Depart Maritime Museum via Motorcade
1254	Arrive Man-O-War Dock
1316	Depart Man-O-War Dock via Boat
1427	Arrive Man-O-War Dock
1435	Depart Man-O-War Dock via Motorcade
1457	Arrive Quantas Airport
1512	Depart Quantas Airport via Air Force One
1544	Arrive Royal Australian AFB Fairbairn, Australia
1606	Depart Royal Australian AFB Fairbairn via Motorcade
1623	Arrive American Embassy, Canberra, Australia
1855	Depart American Embassy via Motorcade
1904	Arrive Government House
2200	Depart Government House via Motorcade
2208	Arrive American Embassy

MATERIALS FORWARDED TO THE PRESIDENT
JANUARY 1, 1992

ACTION

1. Proposed Executive Order Entitled "The Order of Succession of Officers to Act as Secretary of Defense"

INFORMATION

1. November Index of Leading Indicators - November Housing Sales

CLASSIFIED

REMARKS

SCHEDULE

1. Tripbook

Letter from FitzGerald Bemiss
dated: December 4, 1991

Dear George

I know that the move you have just made was a tough one for you, but clearly it was necessary. Secretary Skinner sounds good - I like his managerial competence, his political experience, and his minimal ideological baggage.

No one has a truer concern for the people and businesses that are having such a hard time than do you. You have the knowledge and the academic, business, and political experience which fully equips you to lay out a substantial and credible program in your State of the Union message. I do wonder if you have a speechwriter able to present the situation and the solutions with the absolute clarity and reasonableness which is required.

This period is nasty and discouraging, but I know you will weather it and that this shake-up at this time provides the opportunity to recast and get the show and get it on the road. You will restore confidence and hope and enthusiasm and 92 will be a great confirmation rather than a contest.

Love to Bar.

As ever,

Gerry

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Bemiss DOCUMENT= 2 OF 3 PAGE = 1 OF 3
NAME Mr. FitzGerald Bemiss
SPOUSE Mrs. Margaret
SAL OUT Gerry and Margaret
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 Richmond, VA 23221
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. Home in Walpole, Maine: (207) 644-8264.
. SocSecNo: 225-20-3081 (FitzGerald).
. SocSecNo: 230-64-1837 (Margaret).

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mr. Baine P. Kerr
283 Maple Valley
Houston, Texas 77056

Shelf War 191+ 192
May?
Dec.

Dear Baine,

Neil passed along to me your insightful paper on the Gulf. I agree with all you wrote.

I remain convinced that Saudi Arabia was at stake until we moved first.

I had hoped economic sanctions would have gotten the job done by now - they haven't.

I am convinced that Saddam, even now, doesn't think we'll use force; and if we used force I am convinced he feels he'd win or there would be a war of attrition on both counts.

By

Thank you friend

This is a tough conundrum
but we are not going to fail -
we can't and we won't.
We have a great
wonderful Church here at
Camp David - all present
except Doris 2 kids.
We have so many blessings
and so much to be thankful
for. Friends really count.
Friendships really matter -



CAMP DAVID

New Years Day - 1944
Sydney Australia

Dear Bill,

This past weekend I went to Texas for my annual quail hunt. We were in birds the whole time. One of the 3 hunters was Al Simpson of Cody. I told him of your recent visit to the Oval Office and of those 2 special 12 gauge guns.

Then I realized that I had

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William B. Ruger
Sturm, Ruger and Company, Inc.
Southport, CT. 06490.
U.S.A.

not adequately said thank you just
standing there in my office.

I love hunting, I love
beautiful shot guns and these
2 specially crafted Rugers
will be on display long after I'm
gone. Before then I'll try to reach
out and touch a duck with one
of them if I ever get the chance.

My most sincere thanks & respects
New York - Ar. Berl



CAMP DAVID

Sydney, Australia
Jan 1, 1992

Dear Bill,

I am writing your Dad
today, too; but on my long
flight over I got to thinking
of those beautifully crafted
12 gauges you presented me.
They are magnificent. They

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will be special representatives
in the A.B. Presidential
Library; but I am allowed
to use them.
From the land of the
sportsman, I wanted to send
my special thanks.
Have a great New Year

Ag Bank

THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary
(Sydney, Australia)

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1992

NATIONAL MARITIME MUSEUM
SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

JANUARY 1, 1992

I am delighted to take part in dedicating this gift from the people of the United States to the people of Australia -- the USA Gallery of the Australian National Maritime Museum. President Reagan announced the gift in 1988, in honor of Australia's bicentennial. Now as we dedicate the new gallery, we mark another bicentennial: The two hundredth anniversary of the arrival of the first foreign trading ship in Sydney -- an American vessel named for our City of Brotherly Love, Philadelphia.

Never was a ship more aptly named. Brotherhood has linked the Australian and American people now for two centuries. Our common ancestors endowed us with language and culture, the rule of law, a spirit of enterprise and a passion for freedom that we still share today.

Australians and Americans have been together for many a maritime adventure -- in peace and in war, in commerce and in sporting competition. Visitors to this gallery may see historical displays on the three Americans who were among the crew of Captain Cook's Endeavour on its voyage to Australia in 1770. Visitors will get a unique glimpse into life aboard a 19th century trading ship. Other displays commemorate the common courage Australian and American naval forces showed half a century ago in the fateful battles of World War II.

Fraternal ties of culture and commerce between our nations have never been stronger. I am proud that the United States and Australia are committed to open and robust world trade -- trade that creates jobs and lifts the standards of living in both our countries. In this spirit, and in this anniversary year, I am honored to take part in opening the USA Gallery of Australia's National Maritime Museum.

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POOL REPORT #4

January 1, 1992

BUSH OPENS NEW YEAR WITH JOG

The President went for a unscheduled jog at the Scots College and Rose Bay, beginning before your pool arrived at the scene. The President talked about his coming discussions with Australian officials, his hopes for the New Year and the coming political campaign. Your pool was told he jogged, with three Secret Service agents and a college official for 20 minutes and 20 seconds.

Asked if he had any new year's resolutions, Bush replied, "always for peace. Certainly this year, with Americans hurting and the economy sluggish, for prosperity at home." He added his confidence that economic recovery will come soon.

Asked if one of his resolutions was to get reelected, Bush replied, "I am very confident about that it's going to be a hell of a year." He added the election campaign "isn't very pleasant."

On a more personal note, the President told questioners he would like to "catch a few more fish" in the coming year and improve his timing on the jogging track. He expressed gratitude for loyalty of his family, saying it has always been strong.

Bush wished the people of the United States and Australia a Happy New Year, commenting on "how much I enjoyed the fantastic fireworks presentation" upon his arrival last night. He stressed the importance he attaches to the relationship between Washington and Canberra although he acknowledged there have been "one or two little difficulties I have discussed with prime ministers past and present. Any difficulty has been outweighed a thousand fold by the common purpose "of the two countries", by the strength of this alliance." He told the questioner he does not intend to change his position on U.S. agricultural exports, despite Australian unhappiness with the Export Enhancement Program. "It's not a question of concessions "to the Australians". What we do is tell them our problem ... they have difficulty with EEP ... I hope they understand that it is not aimed at Australia." He added that if they do not understand that point, that they will, after his discussions.

Sighting the strength of the U.S./Australian relationship several times, Bush said "one manifestation of the friendship I know exists" was the display of the American flag "up on the point." He said he had called the homeowner - he said his name was Dr. Marsden (sp?) He said he invited Dr. Marsden to his hotel to chat with him later in the day. Bush added that he remembers the battle of the Coral Sea - which he will commemorate later in the trip - as a young man about to enter the navy and said the emotion "Americans with a memory have is the same" as those of Australians awaiting the outcome of the World War II battle against the Japanese navy.

Bush jogged in a light drizzle wearing a white tee shirt and blue shorts. He donned a white cotton jacket after finishing his exercise by cutting diagonally across the college athletic field.

When his motorcade stopped outside the Ritz Carlton Hotel, Bush popped out of his limo to press the flesh with a scattering of bystanders in front of the Cross Court Clothing shop. He posed with one baby in a green and white striped outfit, then, telling the group that he had to shower and get to work, he disappeared into the hotel.

Sullivan
USIA

POOL REPORT A
Mrs. Bush visits
Price of Wales Children's Hospital
Wednesday, Jan. 1, 1992

Mrs. Bush spent about an hour at the children's hospital, most of it in touching meetings with leukemia patients on marrow transplant therapy. Her party included Kathryn Greiner, wife of NSW Premier Nick Greiner, Betty Sembler, wife of U.S. Ambassador Melvin Sembler, Catriona Cook, wife of Australia's ambassador to the Washington, Michael Cook, and Jane Lincoln, wife of U.S. Consul General Philip Lincoln. Their scheduled visit to the intensive care units was scrubbed when the bedside calls ran overtime and Mrs. Bush had to keep her appointment to join the president for Sydney Harbour cruise. She wore a red linen suit with double-breasted jacket and a blouse with black and white horizontal sailor stripes, no doubt ready for the afternoon cruise. The beads were three-stranded and white, as usual, and the buttons gold.

The tour of the leukemia ward (Unit 4) was vintage Barbara Bush. She mothered, grandmothered, emceed, and comforted parents and staff alike. She went to great pains to explain the tiredness of her clinical tourguide, pediatrician Barry Duffy, who had been up until 5 a.m. in unsuccessful efforts to save the lives of a newborn and a 4-month-old admitted during the night.

Among the patients with whom Mrs. Bush had one-on-one conversations:

Myditha Arsyartna, 7, of Sri Lanka: He wore a surgical mask and spoke to her through a surgical mask. The remarks were inaudible.

Clare Barkley, 9, daughter of California-born Michael Barkley who emigrated to Australia in 1976: "That makes his daughter part American. I've just claimed her," Mrs. Bush announced. This girl beamed with a smile you could bottle. What's left of her hair is blonde and, although she had been too sick to participate in a group meeting, she rallied to talk with Mrs. Bush. "I love all the wrinkles in your nose," Mrs. Bush told her during one particularly energetic grin. "But you're warm. Aren't you too warm?" she said. Clare smiled again and told her, "Yes, because I'm on a hot waterbed." "I've never slept on a waterbed. When you roll over, don't the waves go 'boom, boom, boom?" Mrs. Bush riposted.

Pam Rolley, "13, nearly 14": Mrs. Bush sat on the bed next to her and immediately sneezed. "Excuse me, I'm allergic to you," she said, quickly telling Pam it was a joke.

Melanie Sinclair, 8 weeks, of Newcastle, who was in for day therapy and is staying a few weeks with her mother at the Ronald McDonald House: "She's not lacking in appetite," Mrs. Bush responded when told how seriously ill the baby is. Dr. Duffy outlined more radical shunt measures that could be taken if the transplant were unsuccessful and Mrs. Bush held Melanie close and said to her, "But you wouldn't need that. You're going to get all well."

After posing for souvenir pictures with officials and volunteer leaders, Mrs. Bush heard a briefing on the high-level of research and therapeutic sophistication at the 180-bed, 30-year-old hospital in the Randwick suburb. She brightened at news that many patients are treated as out-patients (25,000 yearly) and said, "Are you doing a lot more outpatient therapy now? They certainly are in our country. Most of her questions aimed at volunteer work, asking Therese Treloar about her 20-member Christopher Robin Committee (but Pooh on that), praised the work of Ronald McDonald House -- "I was very active in that. I loved that. They're wonderful. We have maybe 100 in the United States. I opened the third one, about 12 years ago. Families with little children don't have to stay in hotels to visit the hospital." -- and payment for the elaborate care. "It's a public health system. Mr. Greiner finds the taxes," said John Walton, chairman of Eastern Sydney Area Health Service. At one point when Mrs. Bush mentioned rising costs she added quickly, "I'm not trying to make light of your budget."

Pool Report A Page Two Mrs. Bush

When she signed the guestbook, she wrote no comment and joshed, "You fill in the blanks." In another area, Mrs. Bush and Mrs. Greiner sat at a low kindergarten sized table three children and the head of the nursing section. She accepted handmade New Year's greeting cards, each with an image of herself inside, from Melanie Calloway, 9, of Padstow, Blake Stenning, 8, of Seaforth, and Michael Goodwin, 10, of South Coogee, all Sydney suburbs. The nurse was Cindy Dean of Harbord. It was all small talk and when the kids had no questions Mrs. Bush asked herself some. "Don't you want to know how Mr. Bush is? He's fine." "How did you like the fireworks? As an authority on fireworks, those were the biggest, best, longest fireworks I ever saw."

In a separate ceremony, she accepted flowers and unusual sweatshirts for herself and the president from Emma Chapman, 12, of Botany, and Steven Dematos, 12, of Earlwood. Both children were in wheelchairs. The president's shirt featured a mama kangaroo with Joey in the pocket and hearts with the words "I support the Prince of Wales Childrens Hospital Foundation."

Mrs. Bush left the kids with a short speech of thanks for the greeting and presents: "The tour was wonderful. The feeling that you got from the doctors, nurses, parents, and patients was wonderful. Everyone I met in this hospital is dedicated to making you children well. ... I would like to make an appeal. I would like to urge everybody to help the hospital" which she said helps not only Australia but the world with its research and treatment programs. "I wish you a happy, healthy, prosperous, peaceful New Year," she said. The children chanted back, "Happy New Year, Mrs. Bush."

Frank Murray, The Washington Times

POOL REPORT # 5

KEATING MEETING AND MOTORCADES

JANUARY 1, 1992

Fitzwater told the pool Bush and Keating spent the "majority" of their 45-minute meeting discussing ways to push the Uruguay Round of trade negotiations to a successful conclusion. "Both agreed," Fitzwater said, "to work to open the world trading system through the Uruguay Round of discussions."

Fitzwater said both the United States and Australia "have problems" with subsidies offered by the European Community to boost exports. "Most of the discussion," Fitzwater said, "was on how to get agreement on the Uruguay Round." He said Bush told Keating the Dunkel Paper -- the proposed solution on deadlocked items drawn up by Arthur Dunkel, director general of the Generalized Agreement on Tariffs and Trade -- "is positive" and "provided a basis we could work with." He said the farm subsidy aspect of the Uruguay Round was discussed as part of a resolution of the entire matter. "We have said we would like them to limit the impact of the export program as much as possible," he said.

The two leaders discussed as well the "positive relationship" between their countries, with Bush assuring Keating that Washington will continue to espouse policies assuring "security and stability in Asia and the Pacific," Fitzwater said.

Bush and Keating met in a sitting room of Kirribilli House, the much-restored residence of Australian prime ministers while they are in Sydney, and both invoked the "photo opportunity" rationale for refusing to answer questions. Bush added the point that they have a joint press availability laid on. The two principals sat in arm chairs, their backs to a magnificent view of Sydney Harbor. Bush was in a light grey suit, white shirt and red and blue striped tie. The room was furnished in varied tones on pink and brown picked out in carpet and drapes; the wallpaper was white with a biege design.

The house, an off-biege with green shutters, is set on Kirribilli Point, near Admiralty House, in well-landscaped grounds featuring white and pink roses and a red flower unknown to your pooler.

The motorcades from the Ritz-Carlton Hotel to Kirribilli House, and from the house to the National Maritime Museum, were uneventful, save for the great views from Sydney Harbor Bridge. At the museum, two separate sets of demonstrators, perhaps 100 in all, greeted the motorcade. The first group, at street level, carried signs saying, "Smash the New World Order," and "Bush Go Home." At the museum entrance level, a more vocal group wanted, "U.S. Out of Third World," according to a typical sign. There was even, apart from both groups, a sign calling for Lyndon La Rouché's election as president.

Sullivan

USIA

POOL REPORT # 6

SYDNEY HARBOUR to CANBERRA and points in between...JAN 1, 1992

In Sydney, you saw most of what we saw, including the 200 or so young demonstrators outside the Maritime Museum. Most seemed to be affiliated with something called the International Socialist Organization, and called for the U.S. to get out of Korea and the third world generally.

The photo op at the museum was nothing worth noting--two periscopes that both leaders peered through for a matter of seconds. The periscopes were supposed to be identical to the one on the ship that rescued Bush in WWII.

On board the luncheon cruise of Sydney Harbour, you could probably see the photo op for yourselves--both President and Mrs. Bush giving big, two-handed "touchdown" waves to the shore and boats alongside. As he exited the top deck, Mr. Bush was overheard to say "power out there--Fidelity--view is good" which your pool translated as a wish to bring his speedboat to Sydney.

There were about a dozen demonstrators in Kayaks in the water; we were told they call themselves "paddlers for peace" and come out whenever warships come to port. We couldn't hear any of their slogans, but we did see one unhappy kayak pilot tackled in the water by three burly police in wetsuits when he got too close to the presidential vessel. Later on we witnessed a spirited chase of another demonstrator in a motorized raft. The demonstrator appeared to escape but the police may have let him go.

The President was hosted by the Premier of New South Wales, Nick Greiner (real name is Nicholas but we're told he goes by Nick) and his wife Kathryn. Both men made brief remarks after the sumptuous lunch, which your pool enjoyed on your behalf. Highlights of the remarks: Mr. Grenier recalled the state visit of President LBJ at the height of the Vietnam War, during which a "Liberal Prime Minster" --unnamed by him--"went down in history" by publically declaring "all the way with LBJ," and later suggesting that "perhaps we should tear down the bastards" referring to the anti-war demonstrators which dogged LBJ's visit. Mr. Greiner noted approvingly that now "there are no bastards to run over" and spoke of the "continuity" of the Australia -U.S. relationship.

He added that the two are "remarkably similar people--in fact there are no more similar people in the world" and suggested that Australia had a "real strategic contribution" to make in the Asia-Pacific region.

Mr. Bush's response came as we neared the dock, and he claimed to be ripping up 45 minutes of prepared remarks. He said he had been touched by the warm greeting he had received from the Aussies as he moved through the streets. "There's no way I can tell you what it feels like to travel with so little hostility on the streets--and I'm starting right at home," he said chuckling. "I 'm a man who knows every hand gesture you've ever seen. I haven't learned a new one since I've been here."

Bush said that he met many friendly Australians as he jogged this morning. "Those who were sober enough to get up were out there waving away," he said.

On a more serious note, Bush reassured Australians and others in the region that the United States would not abandon them even as the world changes. "I know there's some apprehension in this part of the world...They're saying to themselves, 'I wonder if the U.S. cares. I wonder if the United States really wants to remain involved'... Some are understandably saying, 'I wonder where we'll fit in.'"

The President vowed, "we will be involved....we know friends when we see them. The longer I stay in this job, the more important true friends are....There are a couple of differences...Differences are so overwhelmed by the common purpose, they're not even registering on the radar screen. We won't let you down...we will stay involved right up to the end of eternity.we fundamentally it's in our interest. We hope like hell, it's in yours."

We then departed for an uneventful trip to Canberra. The only thing we'd note from the motorcade was 200 or so demonstrators outside the U.S. embassy compound in Canberra, the vast majority of whom were seeking recognition for Croatia. Some familiar hand gestures were seen, although no "new" ones.

POOL REPORT #7

THE BUSHES GO TO DINNER

JANUARY 1, 1992

CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA

No substance, all color.

The U.S. Embassy complex, including the ambassador's residence where the Bushes are staying, is a group of red-brick Colonial-style buildings that look straight out of Williamsburg set on a hill opposite Parliament House. About two dozen protestors were gathered across the street representing a variety of issues including East Timor, Croatia and El Salvador. The originality award goes to one protestor costumed as a fly, replete with large eyes, wings and long tongue, carrying an enigmatic sign: "Bush Flies in the Face of Compromise." (You figure it out.) The president showily waved at the protestors as his motorcade passed.

A tuxedoed Marlin, arriving for the motorcade to the dinner in the backseat of a sedan with Brent Scowcroft, rolled down his window to tell your pool: "You can call me Maxwell," an allusion to today's front-page column in the Australian.

Government House, the official residence of Governor-General Bill Hayden is set by the Royal Canberra Golf Course, where kangaroos could be seen lounging by some of the greens. The grounds are lushly landscaped and the call of yellow-crested cockatoos filled the air. The Haydens greeted the Bushes on the front of the house. Bush wore a tuxedo with a pin of crossed U.S. and Australian flags in his lapel. Mrs. B wore a violet gown, a pearl necklace and pearl drop earrings.

The Haydens and the Bushes emerged on the back red-brick patio for the benefit of your pool, photogenically posing in front of Lake Burely Griffin, named for the Chicago architect who planned Canberra, and Black Mountain. Hayden pointed out the significance of the lake's name and that Parliament House was also designed by an American. Bush also queried about the golf course. Heading inside, the president declared: "Painless. No questions, nobody yelling."

The reception and the dinner were closed press.

John Yang, The Washington Post

THE WHITE HOUSE
MRS. BUSH'S PRESS OFFICE

DAILY PRESS CLIPPINGS

Wednesday, Thursday Jan. 1, 2, 1992

Mrs. Bush	(in folder)
Secretary Skinner	West Wing
Marlin Fitzwater	West Wing
Constance Horner	West Wing
Carol Powers	West Wing
Patty Presock	West Wing
First Lady Detail	Staircase
Karen Connell	Room 58 OEOB
Shirley Green	Room 94 OEOB
Anne Griffith	Room 98 OEOB
Diana Kellogg	Room 157 OEOB
Gregg Petersmeyer	Room 100 OEOB
Marguerite Sullivan	Room 268 OEOB
Carolyn Washington	Room 268 OEOB
Benita Somerfield	hold one copy
Ann Brock	
Julie Cooke	
Joan DeCain	
Laurie Firestone	
Jane Moore	
Susan Porter Rose	
Sally Runion	
Peggy Swift	
Anna Perez	
Sondra Haley	
Jean Becker	
Jay Suchan	(plus originals)

WORLD NEWS



AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE

First Lady Barbara Bush, visiting the Prince of Wales Children's Hospital in Sydney yesterday, displays a portrait of herself painted by one of the patients.

The Washington Times

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VISIT IS LABOR OF LOVE First lady drops in on sick children

First lady visits sick children

Mrs. Bush spent New Year's Day down under with some very sick children. The first lady paid a visit to the Prince of Wales Children's Hospital in Sydney, Australia. No photos were taken to record the event, as cameras were not allowed. She visited the bedsides of children stricken with leukemia, as well as other serious ailments. Robin Bush, her first daughter, died of leukemia in 1953. Mrs. Bush received drawings of herself and a bouquet from the children.

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By Frank J. Murray
THE WASHINGTON TIMES

SYDNEY, Australia — The most touching photos were never taken on New Year's Day when Barbara Bush visited the Prince of Wales Children's Hospital in Sydney, Australia. Cameras were left outside as she went to the bedsides of leukemia patients to see how they were doing. She walked her way through, letting her hand be on the crying as she comforted and grandmothered some

very sick children. For her, it was not a routine visit or a first brush with a terrible disease.

Robin, her first daughter, couldn't defeat leukemia and died in 1953, just short of her fourth birthday. "To this day... we wonder why," President Bush wrote in his autobiography.

After Robin's death, Mrs. Bush's hair turned white. She was 28 at the time.

These are snapshots never taken from Mrs. Bush's hour in the leukemia ward.

• Nine-year-old Clare Barkley's 1,000-watt smile lighted the room when Mrs. Bush marveled at her happiness and regrowth of her blond hair. Told Clare was the child of a Californian who emigrated in 1976, she announced with delight: "That makes his daughter part American. I've just claimed her."

• Melanie Sinclair burped and spit out her pacifier on the first lady's lap while Mrs. Bush cradled the 8-week-old, who faces more radi-

cal measures if her marrow transplant fails. "But you won't need that. You're going to get all well," Mrs. Bush said into the eyes of the mesmerized baby.

• Myditha Arsyartna, 7, leaned close and whispered to her through the surgical mask that protects him from germs that could be fatal to his depressed immune system. He was flown to this hospital that takes in very sick children from as far away as Russia.

Mrs. Bush lingered at each bedside, spending so much unscheduled time with these kids who live on the edge that her hospital tour was cut short.

Dr. Barry Duffy answered informed questions about leukemia care, and she spoke of changes that help seven of 10 children survive and allow many to live at home or in Ronald McDonald Houses except on days when therapy is given.

Robin Bush didn't leave New York's Memorial Hospital during the last six months of her life.

There was other drama as well and Dr. Duffy, acting chief doctor at the hospital, left it to Mrs. Bush to say he'd been working all New Year's Eve to save the lives of a newborn

and a 4-month-old admitted as emergency patients. He failed both times.

She greeted volunteer leaders, including Therese Treloar, who was surprised that Mrs. Bush knew about her 20-member Christopher Robin Committee, which helps care for the children.

Three of the healthier children sat with her around a table in a day room and proudly gave handmade New Year's cards featuring drawings of their guest. She fussed over the cards and took them with her, along with a bouquet handed to her by Emma Chapman, 12, from her wheelchair.

Unexpectedly, Clare became too sick to join the card presentations. She got a bedside visit instead.

Mrs. Bush asked her why she was so warm; the child thought that was pretty funny. "Because I'm on a hot water bed," she replied with a laugh.

"I've never slept on a water bed. When you roll over, don't the waves go boom, boom, boom?" the first lady asked. "Yes," Clare said.

She crinkled her nose even more when Mrs. Bush said, "I love all the wrinkles in your nose."

John Walton, chairman of the Eastern Sydney Area Health Service, told Mrs. Bush her visit "will engender great respect for you, for the office of the presidency of the United States and for the many thousands of people in both your country and ours who care for sick children."

Wed 1-Jan-92 4:15 EST

Bush In Throes of Tough Trade Talks With Australians

By RITA BEAMISH

Associated Press Writer

CANBERRA, Australia (AP) President Bush, on an overseas tour to open new markets for American products, signaled resistance today to Australian pressure for an end to U.S. agricultural subsidies.

Prime Minister Paul Keating firmly told Bush that wheat subsidies are harming hard-pressed Australian farmers, said an Australian official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

But Bush, who will push Japan and South Korea for a lowering of trade barriers after visiting here and Singapore, said the subsidy program "is not aimed at Australia."

U.S. officials said little could be done about the subsidies when they continue to be employed by European Community nations.

Tough talk on trade highlighted Bush's private meetings with Australian officials, during which he also sought to reassure a longtime ally that has become wary about America's security commitments in the Pacific Rim.

"We are going to stay totally involved in this part of the world," Bush said, notwithstanding intense U.S. attention focused on the former Soviet states, the Middle East and Mexico.

"We won't let you down," he said during luncheon toasts on a Sydney Harbor boat cruise. "We will stay involved right up 'til the end of eternity."

The remarks were in response to concerns that the United States might phase down its security commitments, especially with its closing of bases in the Philippines, said national security adviser Brent Scowcroft.

Bush and Keating, in their 45-minute meeting, also discussed Australia's roles in the Persian Gulf crisis. Bush later went on a harbor sight-seeing tour.

His cruise boat was followed by a flotilla of sailboats, yachts, police boats and kayaks and canoes carrying protesters. One got too close to the president's boat, and three security men leaped off a police launch, knocked the protester in the water and arrested him.

Bush also was greeted by about 300 protesters as he arrived at the National Maritime Museum. "Bush Go Home!" one placard demanded. Another said: "Big U.S. Brother is a Bloody Busy Body!"

But Bush's day in Sydney and Canberra was for the most part marked by large and enthusiastic crowds of Australians. They lined his motorcade route to wave and cheer. Bush at one point hoisted a baby, and he shook hands with bystanders outside his hotel.

* First lady Barbara Bush had a separate itinerary for a part of the day, visiting several young patients in the cancer and leukemia ward of Prince of Wales Children's Hospital in Sydney. She introduced herself to one group of sick children as the "one with the white hair."

Her husband was in an upbeat mood as he talked to reporters after his first jog of 1992, saying he wished for peace in the new year. Bush quickly noted the recession at home, saying that "I mean, my first resolution has to be for the well-being of the

American people."

Australia was the first stop on a 26,000-mile journey that also includes visits to Singapore, South Korea and Japan.

In the face of sinking public confidence at home due to the recession, Bush portrayed his trip as a get-tough, jobs-boosting trade mission aimed at opening foreign markets to U.S. products.

Bush got a boost on that front with a Japanese government call for its automakers to use more U.S.-made parts, and its consumers to buy more American autos.

Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa said he wanted Japan's industry leaders "to take more seriously and compassionately the U.S. situation," epitomized by General Motors announcement that it would layoff 74,000 workers.

As he commenced two days of meetings with Australian government officials and agricultural representatives, Bush indicated he did not anticipate any change in the U.S. policy of subsidizing wheat exports.

The Australians have been angered at those subsidies, which they said put them at an unfair advantage in the world market.

"I don't think it's a question of concessions," Bush said, when asked if he might bow to the pressure. "What we do is tell them our problems, and they're very frank with us," he said.

Bush did say he understood their complaints, acknowledging that the Australians "have some difficulties" with the Export Enhancement Program.

Under the program, the United States pays subsidies to agricultural exporters that enable them to lower the price of American farm goods, including wheat, in world markets.

The United States contends the subsidy program is linked to the ongoing international trade talks, known as the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. It refuses to relinquish the subsidies as long as the European nations hold out in the GATT talks against cutting their own substantial agricultural subsidies.

At the same time, Bush has been demanding that Japan lower its trade barriers, especially on autos and auto parts and rice.

Bush's spokesman, Marlin Fitzwater, said Bush and Keating agreed they want "an open world trading system," and that the United States would like to "limit its export program as much as possible."

Keating also expressed concern that U.S. plans for a North American free trade zone with Canada and Mexico would lead to a trading bloc that would be against the concept of free and fair trade.

If anyone wants to know if that will happen, Bush said later, "the answer is no."

Tue 31-Dec-91 22:21 EST

Mrs. Bush Helps Out Young Cancer Patients

By DENNIS PASSA

Associated Press Writer

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Barbara Bush's presence left several young hospital patients at a loss for words Wednesday. So the U.S. First Lady helped them out by asking herself a number of questions.

"Wouldn't you like to know how the president's doing today," Mrs. Bush said while on a tour of the cancer and leukemia ward at the Prince of Wales Children's Hospital in Sydney.

"He's fine," she said. "He's already been out jogging today."

"Now what about those fireworks last night?" she said, referring to a large fireworks display on Sydney Harbor that marked the Bushs' first night in Australia.

"I am somewhat of an expert on fireworks, and I can say that those were the biggest, best and longest fireworks I have ever seen," said Mrs. Bush.

On a 30-minute tour of the hospital, she introduced herself to one group of sick children as the "one with the white hair."

She later commended the hospital on its commitment to research into children's cancer. More than 80 percent of the 180-bed hospital's admissions are from out-of-state and overseas, including Southeast Asia, Russia, the South Pacific and New Zealand.

"There's a great feeling here, family and love and health," she said. "The hospital is doing such a wonderful thing (with) the services you offer not only in Australia but the world in medical research and medical care."

Mrs. Bush stopped at the bed of Clare Barkley, 9, a cancer patient, and said, "You have a beautiful smile. I love all the wrinkles in your nose."

Mrs. Bush left the hospital to join the President for a dedication of the National Maritime Museum at Darling Harbor, and later for a Sydney Harbor cruise. She wore a bright red suit with naval-motif blue and white-striped blouse.

Mrs. Bush will tour Wednesday with the President in Canberra, Australia's capital. On Thursday, she will visit separately the Australian Institute of Sport and a nearby sheep-shearing station.

On Friday, she plans a solo visit to the Australian Children's Television Foundation prior to her and the President leaving Australia for Singapore.

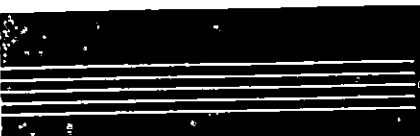
On New Year's morning, Mrs. Bush, flanked by several security men, spent several minutes window shopping in the exclusive Sydney suburb of Double Bay, where their hotel is located. A crowd of about 100 applauded when she walked past and wished them a happy new year.



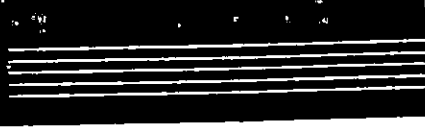
Associated Press

The United States stands accused of protectionism in Australia, getting President Bush's crusade for free trade in the Pacific off to a bumpy start. Mr.

Bush and his wife, Barbara, were greeted in Sydney by Prime Minister Paul Keating of Australia and his wife, Anita, right.



Personalities



When Sydney resident **Hugh Marsden** got a call from **President Bush** inviting him to the president's hotel for tea, he was a bit surprised. "One of my sons was a bit dubious about it so we checked with the hotel and it was fair dinkum [genuine]," said the Australian doctor.

Bush, out for his morning run yesterday, had passed a house flying an American flag. "I got a phone call from the president. . . . He said he saw the flag and said it was a very nice compliment, how would you like to come to the hotel," Marsden told reporters. Marsden and his wife, **Patricia**, joined the president and **Barbara Bush** and a dozen others for morning tea and coffee.

Marsden fought with American soldiers in the Pacific theater in World War II and has a son and two grandsons living in the United States. "I've always had a close association with Americans," he said. "[Bush's visit] is a special occasion so I flew the flag as a tribute to him and as a friendly gesture, and he certainly returned the gesture." Marsden said he and Bush exchanged war stories: "We were fellow soldiers and he spoke about the [Battle of the] Coral Sea," he added. "He was a very nice bloke. He has charisma and charm and friendliness oozing out of him. They were both very easygoing and friendly. Barbara was lovely, my wife and her had a good chat. When we met them it was as though we'd known them all our life."

Tue 31-Dec-91 21:33 EST

Bush meets with Australian prime minister

By THOMAS FERRARO

SYDNEY, Australia (UPI) — President Bush, in the first formal meeting of his 11-day trade mission to Asia, conferred Wednesday with Australian Prime Minister Paul Keating and tried to deflect criticism of U.S. agricultural subsidies.

With Australian farmers ready to hold mass demonstrations in Canberra Thursday to protest those policies, Bush also indicated that he intends to maintain subsidies and said they are not specifically aimed at Australia's troubled economy.

The meeting was the first between Bush and Keating, who replaced Bob Hawke as Prime Minister on Dec. 19.

Bush, who arrived in Sydney from Washington on New Year's Eve, was to go on to Canberra Wednesday following an address at the National Maritime Museum in Sydney.

The president has said the replacement of Hawke by Keating in a ruling Labor Party leadership ballot would not affect U.S.-Australian relations, but it did have an impact on his visit to Australia.

Bush, an avid sportsman, was to play golf with Hawke. Keating collects antiques and has little interest in the game.

At a photo session after their meeting, the two leaders refused to field any questions on their discussions. Earlier, Bush indicated he planned to make no concessions to Australia on wheat subsidies, but expressed the hope the Australian government would understand it would not damage Australia-U.S. relations.

"We have one or two little difficulties that I have discussed with prime ministers past and present," Bush told reporters after an early morning jog and shortly before his meeting with Keating.

"But any difficulty is outweighed a thousandfold by the common purpose, by the strength of this alliance that has endured for a long, long time," Bush said.

"It is not a question of concession, what we do is tell them our problems and they are very frank with us, that's how you can tell a good friend ... that they have some difficulty with what we call the EEP (export enhancement program)."

"I understand those, I hope they understand that the legislation is not aimed at Australia, but if they don't they will by the time I get through."

Bush said the U.S.-Australia relationship was working and pointed to the alliance between the two countries during World War II, particularly the Battle of the Coral Sea.

But Australian farm leaders were adamant that they would talk tough with Bush at their meeting with him in Canberra Thursday and emphasize how much the EEP is damaging Australia's farm economies and "crippling" wheat growers.

Australia is the only country on the four-nation tour, which also includes Singapore, Korea and Japan, with which the U.S. has a trade surplus.

While Bush and Keating were involved in discussions, first lady Barbara Bush went window shopping in exclusive Double Bay.

Mrs. Bush surprised and delighted a crowd of about 100 bystanders when she emerged from the Ritz Carlton Hotel.

Flanked by a posse of security men, Mrs. Bush walked up and down the main shopping area of the harborside suburb, stopping to look at the store windows

The crowd broke into applause when Mrs. Bush waved and wished them a happy New Year.

Wed 1-Jan-92 5:10 EST

Bush signals no concessions to Australian farmers

By THOMAS FERRARO

CANBERRA, Australia (UPI) — President Bush, on the first leg of what may become a stormy trade mission to the Pacific Rim, indicated Wednesday there would be no retreat from U.S. agricultural subsidies that anger Australian farmers.

Bush agreed, though, to confer again Thursday with Prime Minister Paul Keating about the price supports, as well as with farmers who planned a massive rally to protest the subsidies and U.S. restraints on sugar and meat.

"President Bush says he wants trade concession from Japan to help American automakers. We want concessions to help Australian farmers," said Bruce Cullen, a spokesman for the National Farmers Federation.

The president arrived in Canberra from Sydney, Australia, late Wednesday to attend a state dinner and address Parliament Thursday.

Eight Democratic senators planned to boycott Bush's speech, saying the \$2 million cost of recalling the legislative body could not be justified in a recession.

Bush's trade mission is aimed at boosting the sluggish U.S. economy by prying open foreign markets to more American goods.

He was to travel to Singapore Friday, and then move on South Korea and Japan before returning to Washington Jan. 10.

The U.S. Export Enhancement Program is designed to allow American farmers to compete with subsidized European produce, but has financially squeezed Australian farmers.

Keating, during a meeting with Bush in Sydney Wednesday, gave the president a "personal note ... on the damaging effects" of the EEP, an Australian government official told reporters.

But a Bush administration official said the United States would only lower subsidies if European nations agree to do the same. Thus far, they have refused.

The president, speaking to reporters in Sydney following a New Year's Day jog, said, "I don't think it is a question of concessions."

"What we do is tell them our problems and they are very frank with us," he said. "We've had some difficulties with what we call the EEP. I understand those. I hope they understand that legislation is not aimed at Australia, but if they don't, they will by the time I get through."

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Bush and Keating also discussed the overall U.S.-Australian relationship, which both leaders described as strong.

In addition, Fitzwater said, Bush reaffirmed the United States' commitment to the post-Cold War security and stability of the Pacific.

At a photo session after the meeting, Bush thanked Australians for the warm welcome given to him since his arrival on New Year's Eve.

"I'd like to wish everybody a happy New Year. You sure have a wonderful way of making an American like me feel at home," the president said.

Bush then visited the National Maritime Museum where he dedicated the USA Gallery — America's bicentennial gift to Australia announced by President Reagan in 1988.

"Fraternal ties of culture and commerce between our nations have never been stronger," Bush said. "I am proud that the United States and Australia are committed to open and robust world trade — trade that

creates jobs and lifts the standards of living in both our countries."

Bush and Keating then drove to the Sydney Opera House, on the shores of Sydney Cove, where they walked to a waiting crowd and exchanged greetings and handshakes.

"Happy New Year," the president said repeatedly.

One woman said, "Welcome to Australia."

"Thank you. It's good to be here," Bush replied.

Bush and Keating then parted company, with the president and Mrs. Bush boarding a cruise boat for a tour of Sydney Harbor with New South Wales State Premier Nick Greiner.

Early morning clouds gave way to sunny skies as the vessel cruised under the Sydney Harbor Bridge, surrounded by dozens of police and spectator craft.

While her husband was meeting with Keating, Barbara Bush went window shopping in the exclusive harborside suburb of Double Bay.

She surprised and delighted a crowd of about 100 bystanders when she emerged from the Ritz-Carlton hotel, where the presidential party spent the night.

Flanked by a posse of security men, the first lady walked up and down the main shopping area, stopping to look in the shop windows. The crowd broke into applause when Mrs. Bush waved and wished them a happy New Year.

Later, she visited a children's hospital, meeting with leukemia patients on marrow transplant therapy, before joining her husband on the harbor cruise.

After the cruise, the presidential party drove to Sydney airport for a 50-minute flight to the national capital, Canberra, where the president was scheduled to have dinner with Governor-General Bill Hayden.

Friday, Bush flies to Melbourne for discussions with Australian business leaders. He will depart Melbourne later Friday to continue his four-nation tour to Singapore, Japan and Korea.

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Australian prime minister's kids get ride on Air Force One

CANBERRA, Australia (UPI) — The four children of Prime Minister Paul Keating were given the joyride of their lives Wednesday when President Bush took them aboard Air Force One for the trip from Sydney to Canberra.

During the 30-minute flight, the president gave Patrick, 15, Caroline, 12, Katherine, 10, and Alexandra, 6, a tour of the specially equipped Boeing 747.

The children were given bags filled with American souvenirs, together with an autographed copy of Barbara Bush's book about her dog Millie.

On their tour they saw two galleys, a conference room, a presidential suite and bedroom, a press room, surgery facilities and 70 sleeper chairs.

The \$600 million plane is also equipped with seven toilets, 85 telephones and a freezer with enough food for a week.

"It was incredible, the ride of a lifetime," said an excited Patrick after disembarking.

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JUST BEFORE HE TOOK OFF

for his hunting trip to Texas, President Bush, wife Barbara and his children, grandchildren and new chief of staff Sam Skinner, went on a holiday outing to see "Crazy for You" the remake of a George and Ira Gershwin musical, at Washington's National Theater. The Prez was invited by his old Texas friend, Roger Horchow, co-producer of the \$7.5 million musical.

Spies tell us that during the show, the President and Mrs. B took turns watching through binoculars; the First Lady during the first-act solo by leading lady Jodi Benson, of "Someone to Watch Over Me," the President when 10 leggy chorines, in pink chiffon, popped out of an on-stage limo to tap their little hearts out with leading man, Harry Groener. The Prez told the cast later he loved it; judge for yourself when it opens at the Shubert on W. 44th St., Feb. 19.

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President Bush exults during a game of horseshoes at the White House with youngest son Marvin, 35, in February.

By Kathy Lewis

Washington Bureau of The Dallas Morning News

WASHINGTON — Coming back from Camp David one rainy weekend, President Bush suddenly decided to make a detour. "Let's just flip over and see Doro," he suggested.

But first he called his press secretary to ask whether he could change his plans without summoning the press pool that follows him everywhere. "Don't stay too long," advised Marlin Fitzwater, the

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White House spokesman.

Mr. Bush stayed only 20 minutes, but he got to see his daughter, her kids and their new house — not an incidental feat for a father who lives in the White House.

Even everyday activities become complicated endeavors for a president and his family. Yet from

all appearances, the Bushes and their five children somehow have maintained a sense of normalcy in their fishbowl existence.

"Here you have a family that plays together, talks, laughs, jokes, has fun vacations, enjoys each other," observed a Bush associate. "They come back together in a kind of magnetic way like families routinely do at Christmas and Thanksgiving."

Not since Franklin D. Roosevelt took office in 1933 has a president entered the White House with as many grown children.

In the three years since George Bush took office, aside from son Neil's savings and loan troubles, the Bush children have largely avoided controversy. No public bickering. No long absences from the family fold.

They remain a close-knit, fiercely loyal bunch.

And as Mr. Bush heads into his re-election campaign, he can rely on his brood not only for relief from the rigors of his job, but also for shrewd political advice. When the controversy around White House Chief of Staff John Sununu became too much, eldest son George W. played a key role in negotiating his departure. He also has been named a part-time senior campaign adviser.

In one respect, being "first kids" is easier for the Bushes than for many other recent presidential families. By the time their father was elected, they were grown, married and had children of their own.

"We knew all about Amy (Carter); we knew all about Caroline (Kennedy), about Lynda Bird and Luci Baines (Johnson)," said Stephen Hess, a presidential scholar at the Brookings Institution, a Washington research organization. "They (the Bushes) are not growing up in the White House. I probably couldn't name all

of the Bush kids."

On their own

As adults, George and Barbara Bush's kids lead active and independent lives, largely out of the shadow of the White House.

George Walker, 45, is very much in the public eye in Dallas as managing general partner of the Texas Rangers and as he contemplates a political career.

Jeb, 38, is in commercial real estate in Miami, active in the community and, like brother George, may run for office someday.

Neil, 36, moved his family from Denver to Houston over the summer as he tries to put his savings and loan woes behind him and start a new life in cable television.

Marvin, 35, lives in a Virginia suburb just across the Potomac from Washington. He's a partner in an investment advisory firm and a franchisee in the video rental business.

Dorothy, 32, lives in Washington, where she has started a new career as coordinator of special audiences for the National Rehabilitation Hospital.

So far, the only big controversy to nag the Bush family has been Neil's involvement as a director of Silverado Banking, Savings and Loan Association. The bailout of the failed Denver thrift is estimated to cost taxpayers \$1 billion.

Federal regulators reprimanded Mr. Bush for failing to disclose to other directors his business relationship with two men who received Silverado loans. Earlier this year, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. settled a civil lawsuit against Silverado's directors and officers for \$49.5 million.

Neil's problems are not without precedent. At least since the days of the Roosevelts, presidential offspring "have had a way of getting into awkward situations," said Mr. Hess.

"With that one exception," he said of Neil's troubles, the Bushes "really have done quite well."

"Possibly it has a little to do with their ages. They are more mature than some," he said. "Maybe it has a little to do with their financial wherewithal. They may not see this as the main chance. Probably it has to do with their family demeanor, the way they were brought up."

First in Texas, then in Washington, the Bush children were raised by parents who were neither indulgent nor overly strict. They were, friends say, consistent. Sunday school was not an elective.

Then, as now, family came first.

Good times, bad times

Their domestic life contrasts sharply with the Reagan family's public feuds. But there are, of

course, the typical squabbles and generational differences, particularly when so many gather under one roof.

"It's like any family with three generations in one house: There are some problems sometimes," said longtime family friend Spike Heminway of Greenwich, Conn. His wife, Betsy, added, "Bar gets furious to this day when the grandkids are

Moreover, one family friend said, the commander in chief of the U.S. armed forces still counts on his wife to handle touchy family situations.

Some even believe that the Bush family has grown closer in the White House days. As a family friend said, "I think being presidential children has brought them that much closer together, because only

they can really relate to what they are going through."

The Bushes gather every August at the family's summer home in Kennebunkport, Maine. At Christmas they reunite at the White House and the Camp David retreat in Maryland, where they go sledding and play wallyball — volleyball on a handball court.

Doro and Marvin, the in-townners, can be spotted picking up their children from weekend visits to Camp David with their grandparents. Although the two see their parents regularly, neither has camped out at the White House. Rather, their visits are more like a Sunday afternoon family get-together.

"He loves to have his family around," Doro said of her father. "I

think it gives him a lot of support. One of the nice things I think we provide for him is we don't sit down and say, 'Dad, let's discuss the Middle East peace talks.'"

The Bushes do enjoy themselves, even during affairs of state, where sometimes only the quickest of wits can follow the rapid-fire repartee between the boys and their mom.

When Marvin sat next to actress Melanie Griffith at one state dinner, an aide handed him a note:

Dear Marvin,
Please focus on the food.
Love,
Mom.

Even the nation's commander in chief is not spared from his children's irreverent humor. Once they learned the bureaucratic acronym for President of the United

States, POTUS, he became "Potus."

"Of course Mother is Flotus. I coined that one," said George, explaining the shorthand for First Lady of the United States.

The best stories, however, tend never to get told.

"If people were to see the kind of joking we did to the president of the United States, they might be a little flabbergasted," Doro acknowledged.

When normalcy takes work

A strong foundation, the up-and-down years in politics, the irreverent sense of humor and common-sense solutions to uncommon problems — all have contributed to maintaining Bush family life in the White House.

"You mean to tell me I can't go see my kids without having the

Humor, common sense help keep even keel

press with me?" Mr. Fitzwater said the president exclaimed several weeks before taking office in 1989.

Mr. Fitzwater assured him there were ways to work it out. Still, visits from this grandfather are anything but routine. Son George remembers the time his dad dropped by during a Dallas trip in 1989:

"You look out your front window and the neighbors have piled out there. The kids have called on the phone and said, 'My grandfather's coming. That doesn't mean one little child scrambles over to say hello. That means the entire neighborhood and five neighborhoods over come.'"

For the most part, the Bush children brush off such invasions because they count on visits at the

White House, Camp David and Kennebunkport to provide truly private time with their parents.

Longtime friend Mr. Heminway is convinced that the Bushes have not had to work overly hard at maintaining a normal family life.

"The kids feel so much family. It's natural," added Mrs. Heminway. "The only thing you have to work on is his schedule and her schedule. The times they are together, it's very normal."

The Bush children, though, are not always accepting of the requisite media attention. Reporters firing questions on the golf course, for example, is a sore point — particularly with Marvin, who's been known to shoot them looks that could kill.

The Bush children say that they're ready to handle such irritants for a second term and that they support their father's decision to seek re-election. But Marvin and Doro also expressed mixed emotions.

Marvin said he would like to see his parents start turning it "down a notch and another notch" and relax, as friends their age have done.

"I love them so much that I want them to be able to enjoy this period of their lives more," he said. "Now, my parents will both tell you that they do love what they do, and I think they're probably telling the truth."

Help on the trail

Over the years, the Bush kids have proved to be real assets in their father's political career.

"They are awesome grass-roots campaigners," said Bush political strategist Rich Bond.

Quietly tested during their father's first White House campaign in 1980, the Bush offspring polished their campaign skills for the Reagan-Bush ticket in 1984.

By the GOP convention in 1988, they were more than ready for prime time.

"George Bush got a lot of votes in the general election because of the presence of his family at that convention, without question," said Pete Teeley, a former Bush press



Associated Press

President Bush greets granddaughter Marshall Bush upon his return to the White House after a trip to Camp David, Md., in May.

secretary.

Their moving words about their parents at the convention and a TV campaign commercial featuring Doro's daughter Ellie and "Gampy" firmly cemented the image of Mr. Bush as a family man.

Just as the Bush children were heavily involved in Mr. Bush's presidential campaigns, their parents have continued to boost the younger Bushes' pursuits.

Mrs. Bush threw out the first ball in 1989 at the Texas Rangers' season opener after son George became a part-owner and managing general partner. The president did the honors this year.

Only bad weather — never mind that he'd just gotten out of the hospital — kept Mr. Bush from appearing at a charity golf tournament that Doro ran in May.

In his autobiography, *Looking Forward*, Mr. Bush said his proudest accomplishment was "the fact that our children still come home."

Contact with the Bush children is so rare for some key advisers that they can't name all five. But some longtime Bush associates hear regularly from them.

The calls, one official said, inevitably involve a request on behalf of someone else: Local Republicans wanting a message relayed. A Bush loyalist seeking for an appointment.

One official said family members "weigh in strongly for people who worked hard, but they're careful about it."

Quiet words, strong views

Jeb has become an important voice to the administration on issues of concern to Miami's Cuban community. He was particularly active in getting the United Nations Human Rights Commission to condemn Cuba's human rights record last winter.

"I hope that I am part of a very large network of people that Dad

counts on, just like he does on every issue," Jeb said. "He doesn't just rely on the people in government."

With the Sununu episode, son George's importance as a political adviser to his father resurfaced publicly.

"George is less cautious than his father. He's going to be more likely to take those strong stands, and if we didn't have George, I'm not sure we would have gotten rid of Sununu," said John Weaver, a Republican political consultant in Austin.

The president trusts his son's judgment, one White House official said.

"George is good on people," he said. "During the last campaign, he (the president) relied on him for the unvarnished view."

As early as August, Mr. Bush sought and got his son's views on '92 campaign personnel. George recently predicted that his own role will be "inspiration director, loyalty checker and, I guess, trouble-shooter."

As Mrs. Bush observed, some of the Bush children enjoy politicking on their father's behalf, but others "maybe would rather not." Still, she said, they do it because "they think their father hung the moon."

The first lady then quoted her son, Jeb: "To understand the Bush family, you have to remember that any one of the five children would fall on a hand grenade for our father."

Mrs. Bush added: "It's true, and vice versa. . . . George Bush would fall on a hand grenade for any one of his children."

THE BUSH FAMILY

Living with the White House

■ **Sunday:** Even dropping by to see the grandkids is complicated, when grandpa is the president. But George and Barbara Bush's brood has adapted to their "first kid" status.

□ **Monday:** Some love it, some shun it. The five Bush children have found their own ways of dealing with the presidential limelight.

THE BUSH FAMILY: LIVING WITH THE WHITE HOUSE

Bush family known as loyal, close-knit

Bushes cherish memories of life at Houston home

Baseball field, pool made it a neighborhood hangout

By Kathy Lewis

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HOUSTON — The house at 5525 Briar Drive is long gone. George and Barbara Bush moved to Washington way back in 1967 — well before all the kids were grown.

Until son Neil returned with his family in August, none of the Bush children had lived here since Jeb left for Miami in 1981.

Still, there are strong Bush ties to Houston.

Their memories of the old neighborhood are fond. And the influence of those Houston days is strong enough that one of the Bush sons has tried to create a similar atmosphere for his kids.

The Houston imprint is particularly pronounced for Jeb, Neil and Marvin, who spent more of their formative years here. George W. was in junior high when the family moved from Midland, and Doro was only 5 when the Bushes headed to Washington.

Even with the Bushes scattered about the country, one family friend noted, "They all maintain sort of a Houston nexus, and when you do (an article), you end up having to go back to Houston as the common ground."

It was here that they played in Little League, went to Grady Elementary and The Kinkaid School and attended Sunday School at St. Martin's Episcopal Church.

It was here that they learned to play a mean game of tennis from Hector Salazar, the tennis pro at the Houston Country Club, where court No. 1 was usually reserved on the weekends for the formidable men's doubles champions — George Bush and James Baker, now the secretary of state.

And it was here that the Bush boys hawked the *Neighborhood Round-Up* for "only 5 cents." Jeb was co-editor. Neil and Marvin were cub reporters.

Printed on the hectograph machine that friend Rob Kerr, the editor, got for Christmas, the "home edition" kept the neighborhood up on who was moving in or out, on weekend goings-on and on such breaking news as George Bush's election as Harris County Republican chairman.

This affluent southwest Houston neighborhood with its ranch-style homes was full of kids and bikes. The Bush house, with its back yard big enough for a baseball diamond, was a neighborhood hangout.

"For us children in that

neighborhood, their home was kind of really the focal point. . . . It wouldn't have been the same without them," Mr. Kerr remembered. "They were always coming up with different ideas, things to do."

Marvin recalled: "Our house was in an area where there were kids on every street. People would just come over. . . . Our house was always controlled chaos."

The Bush house held several attractions in those days.

Although a couple of pine trees kept the baseball field short of regulation, it did have a backstop and home plate. There was a water fountain in the garage, go-carts out back, a swimming pool and a woodpile that was defended like the Alamo.

There was a mother who kept jigsaw puzzles and word games going, and an athletic father who liked to play ball.

Thad Grundy, another neighbor who now is an assistant secretary of energy, remembers the five or six hooks on the Bushes' playroom wall for baseball gloves. Mr. Bush's mitt from his days as a Yale University first baseman hung there.

"My early memories are of him out there horsing around with the kids. We'd use his old Yale baseball glove," Mr. Kerr said.

Mr. Bush "would come home, loosen his tie, take off his coat and pitch to us underhanded," remembered Jim Bayless, one of the neighborhood kids who is now a Washington consultant.

"If we got lucky, we'd hit it over the fence and into the Vanderhoofs' swimming pool."

The neighborhood backed up to Buffalo Bayou, providing adventure for the boys, and had a wooded area where Mr. Bush helped set up an obstacle course.

"Hung a tire," Marvin recalled. "Hung a rope. Used to have wars. Jeb and I versus Rob and Neil, where we would sit on these ropes and just swing at each other and kill each other until someone fell off."

"I chipped my tooth. Neil chipped his. People punching each other. It was a very active environment."

The Bush house was long ago leveled and the lot subdivided, but Marvin's memories of those years prompted him recently to move his own family from one Virginia house that was too small to one that he admits probably has too much space.

"It's fun because now when I come home, I hear that noise — more people," he said. "It's a more inviting atmosphere, and it's just what I grew up in."

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Normalcy is theme of Bush family relationship

KRTN photo by Ernie Cox Jr./Chicago Tribune

Barbara Bush is joined by grandchildren Lauren (left) and Pierce Bush last month as she places a star atop the Na-

tional Christmas Tree. She has been topping the 38-foot spruce every year since 1981.

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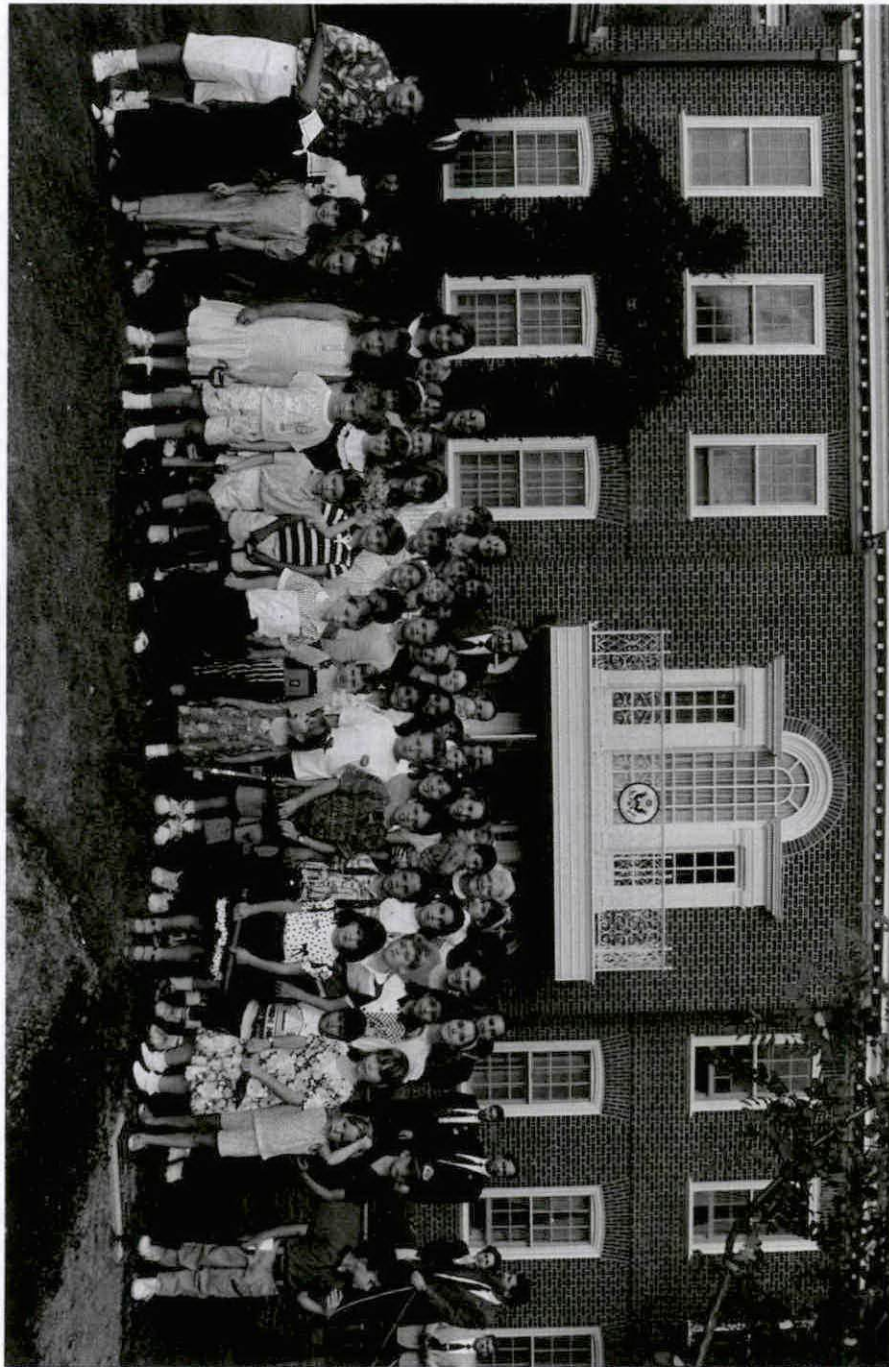
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