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TO: Edward J. Walters
FROM: Janice S. Crouse
Office of Communications
SUBJECT: Flo Hyman

In the materials you got for me are several things that I'd like to follow-up on:

Please call these folks and ask for info regarding the status of girls and women in sports:

Girls Incorporated 212-689-3700

National Association for Girls and Women in Sport
703-476-3450

Women's Sport Foundation 212-972-9170

YWCA 212-614-2827

Who is getting the award this year? Find info about the person.

The info on the award suggests talking with Suzanne Jett, Flo Hyman's sister -- Women's Sport Foundation could give you her phone number.

Women's sport day is usually February -- reason for delay in presentation of the award this year?

Senator Packwood's office might have some materials since he sponsored the legislation creating National Girls and Women in Sports Day in 1987.

Thanks for you work!!!



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TO: Ed Walters

FROM: Tracy Hawkins

COMMENTS: Hope this helps please call if you need more.

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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: FLO HYMAN AWARD CEREMONY
ROSE GARDEN
WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 1992

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[ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS]

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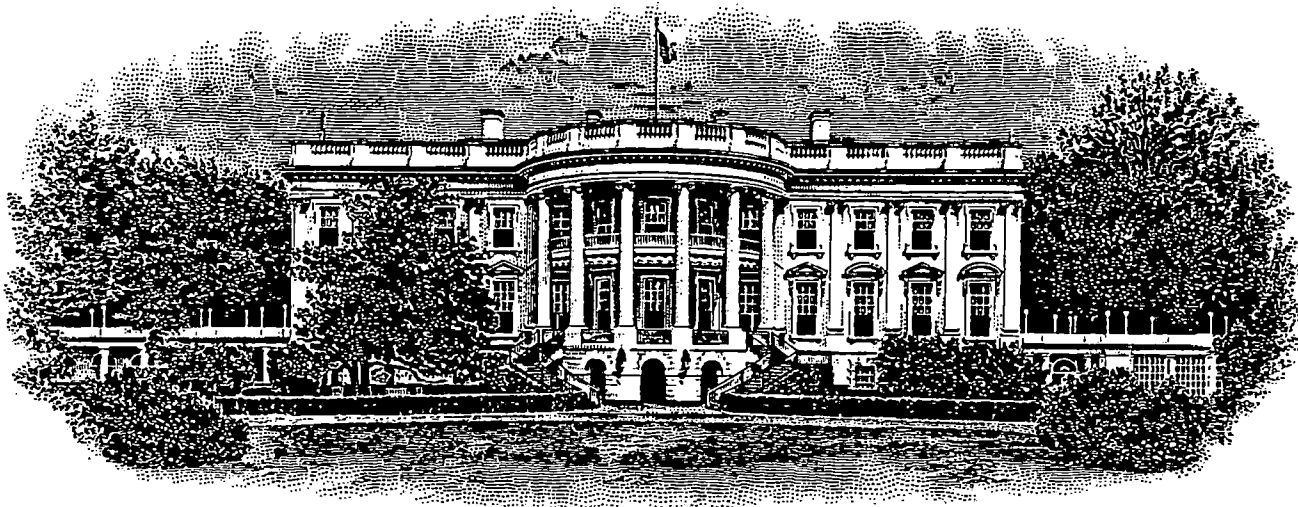
People still talk about Flo Hyman's passion and her commitment. And, years from now, people will still be talking about Nancy Lopez ... her character ... her personality ... and her achievements.

Thank you WSF, for honoring Flo Hyman ... and, for preserving her wonderful life as a role model for future generations of women athletes in America.

I am grateful for your work, and I am committed to continuing support of your efforts.

Now, let's take a few questions. But afterwards ... Nancy, can we go putting so I can get some pointers? I want to be able to beat Dan Quayle the next time we play.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 24, 1992

MEMORANDUM TO STEVE PROVOST

THROUGH: DAN MC GROARTY *DMG*

FROM: ED WALTERS *EW*

The Flo Hyman Awards Ceremony, scheduled for Wednesday, July 29, has been canceled because this year's winner, Nancy Lopez, is unable to attend. Public Liaison took the event off the schedule this afternoon, after the remarks were ready for staffing.

We will save the remarks in case the event is rescheduled.

WSF FLO HYMAN MEMORIAL AWARD

This award is given on National Girls and Women in Sports Day to a woman athlete who captures Flo's dignity, spirit and commitment to excellence. It honors an athlete who recognizes the far-reaching benefits of sport and who is determined to share these values with others. Major consideration is given to athletes who give generously of their time and energy so that there are greater sports opportunities for all girls and women.

Nominating Committee:

Input is gathered from Trustees, Advisory Board members, WSF staff and the sporting community.

Selection Committee:

WSF Executive Director, President, Chair, awards committee and past winners.

Guidelines:

- * This award is not necessarily an annual award. It is given as a special award to honor outstanding service and achievement.
- * As a consideration, Suzanne Jett, Flo's sister, should be consulted.

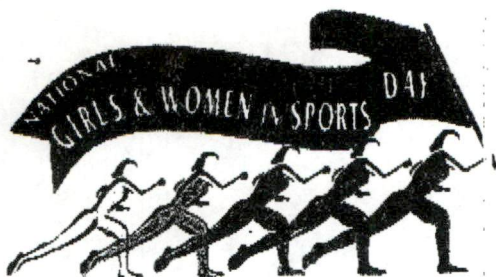
Calendar:

October 15	Input on possible nominees solicited from Trustees, Board members, staff, NGB's
November 15-30	Research and compile bios
December 1	Determine and notify winner
February	Announcement made on National Girls & Women in Sports Day

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**WOMEN'S SPORTS FOUNDATION
FLO HYMAN MEMORIAL AWARD**

1987	Martina Navratilova
1988	Jackie Joyner Kersee
1989	Evelyn Ashford
1990	Chris Evert
1991	Diana Golden
1992	Nancy Lopez



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CONGRESS TO HONOR FEMALE ATHLETES AT 6TH ANNUAL
NATIONAL GIRLS AND WOMEN IN SPORTS DAY

WASHINGTON, D.C., January 27--Senator Bob Packwood (R-OR) will announce the winner of the Women's Sports Foundation Flo Hyman Award at a Congressional Awards ceremony celebrating the 6th annual National Girls and Women in Sports Day (NGWSD), Thursday, February 6. The ceremony will begin at 12:30 p.m. in Caucus Room 325, Russell Senate Office Building, Constitution Ave and Delaware St., N.E. The Day is sponsored in Washington by Sudafed®.

Golfing great Nancy Lopez, who was inducted into the Ladies' Professional Golf Association Hall of Fame in 1987, has been selected to receive the award. It has been given for the past five years to a female athlete who exemplifies the dignity, spirit and commitment to excellence of the late Flo Hyman, captain of the 1984 U.S. Olympic volleyball team who died of Marfan's Syndrome in 1986. In her professional career Lopez has accumulated 44 victories, and her career earnings are over \$3 million. She had her best year in 1976, when she won nine tournaments, including a record-setting five in a row. That year she was named Rolex Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and earned the Vare Trophy. In 1989 she was inducted into the PGA World Golf Hall of Fame. Her most recent tournament victory in 1991 was the Sara Lee Classic.

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In addition to her tour activities, Lopez serves as national ambassador for Adventures in Movement for the Handicapped (AIM) and has helped raised more than \$2 million for the organization.

Previous winners of the award, which is sponsored by the Women's Sports Foundation, include tennis champions Martina Navratilova and Chris Evert; track and field stars Jackie Joyner-Kersey and Evelyn Asiford; and world disabled ski champion Diana Golden.

Twenty-eight leading female athletes representing sports ranging from ice hockey to track to judo will join Lopez for the ceremony, which has become a Capitol Hill tradition. In addition to the presentation of the award, members of Congress, the Administration and supporters of women's sports will also mark the upcoming 20th anniversary of the passage of Title IX legislation.

Senator Packwood (R-OR), who was the original Senate sponsor of the resolution creating National Girls and Women in Sports Day in 1987 noted, "This year's celebration is especially meaningful because it is linked to an important milestone in women's athletics--the 20th anniversary of the passage of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972."

Rep. Olympia Snowe (D-ME), who has co-sponsored the NGWSD resolution in the House for the past six years and has been an active proponent of Title IX and other women's issues, commented, "This legislation prohibits sex discrimination in educational institutions that receive federal funds, and has paved the way for more equitable funding for men's and women's sports program at the university level. Many of the athletes attending this ceremony have benefitted

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SECTION: Part A; Page 24; Column 1; National Desk

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HEADLINE: PRESIDENT NAMES ADVISERS ON LATINO EDUCATION

BYLINE: By FRANK SOTOMAYOR, TIMES STAFF WRITER

BODY:

Calling the improvement of education for Latinos a critical goal for the nation, President Bush on Thursday appointed a 17-member advisory commission to help him implement his 1990 executive order on Latino education.

The President said the commission will "advise me and the education secretary, Lamar Alexander, on the progress of federal efforts to improve education for Hispanic-Americans." He acknowledged that the appointments, coming a year after he signed the executive order, were overdue.

"We recognize the crisis in education and employment for young Hispanic-Americans," Bush said in an interview with Latino reporters at the Four Seasons Hotel. "At a time when Hispanics are the fastest-growing and youngest minority in the United States, their wages and school completion rates are among the lowest."

In fact, Latinos, who make up one-tenth of the nation's population, have the highest dropout rate of any racial or ethnic group -- more than 40% never get a high school diploma. This figure compares to an 18% dropout rate for blacks and a 14% rate for Anglos.

Bush said federal educational spending had dramatically increased during his Administration, and he voiced support for bilingual education programs, greater parental involvement in the schools and giving students the ability to attend the school of their choice.

To help carry out the Latino federal education programs, Alexander has named John Florez, a Labor Department official, as executive director of the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanic Americans.

Among the commission members appointed Thursday, four are from California but none is from Los Angeles County. Leticia Quezada, a school board member of the Los Angeles Unified School District, said that was a "gross oversight" because Los Angeles County has the nation's highest concentration of Latino students.

Progress since the executive order was issued a year ago has been "very slow," and the process to name a commission had become "almost dormant," Quezada said. "Perhaps this is an opportunity for a beginning."

Among commission members are chairman Andres Bande, a Chicago businessman; pro golfer Nancy Lopez; Raul Yzaguirre, head of the National Council of La Raza; Robert J. Miranda, a Santa Ana executive; Peter H. Coors, president of

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Coors Brewing Co., and Peter George Mehas, superintendent of the Fresno County Schools.

TYPE: Appointment

SUBJECT: POLITICAL APPOINTMENTS; ADVISORY COMMITTEES; HISPANICS -- EDUCATION;
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Who's Who Among Hispanic Americans

August, 1991; First Edition

LENGTH: 108 words

NAME: Nancy Lopez

PERSONAL:

Born January 06, 1957, in Torrance, California, United States; daughter of Domingo and Marina Lopez; married Ray Knight, 1985; children: Ashley Marie, Erinn Shea.

OCCUPATION: Professional golfer

EDUCATION: University of Tulsa, 1976-78.

CAREER:

Professional golfer, 1978-.

MEMBERSHIPS:

Ladies Professional Golf Association, member, 1978-.

AWARDS:

LPGA Rookie of the Year, Player of the Year, Female Athlete of the Year, 1978; Pro Golf Player of the Year, 1979; LPGA Hall of Fame, Inductee, 1987.

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Lopez has won 134 tournaments and earned more than a million dollars in prize money. Author of The Education of a Woman Golfer, 1979.

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August, 1989; Issue 3

LENGTH: 760 words

NAME: Nancy Lopez

PERSONAL:

Born January 6, 1957, in Torrance, Calif.; daughter of Domingo (an auto repair shop owner) and Marina (Griego) Lopez; married Tim Melton (a sportscaster), January, 1979 (divorced, 1982); married Ray Knight (a professional baseball player), October 25, 1982; children: (second marriage) Ashley, Erinn.

OCCUPATION: Professional golfer

ADDRESSES: Agent---Mark H. McCormack Agency, 1 Erieview Plaza, Cleveland, Ohio 44114.

EDUCATION: Attended University of Tulsa, 1976--78.

CAREER:

Began playing golf as a young child; won first New Mexico state tournament at age twelve; as a senior in high school, finished second in Women's Open; as a college student, won intercollegiate title before leaving school and turning professional after her sophomore year; professional golfer, 1978---

MEMBERSHIPS:

Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA).

AWARDS:

Named Athlete for 1978 by Associated Press; named LPGA Player and Rookie of the Year, 1978, appointed to LPGA Hall of Fame, 1987.

WRITINGS:

The Education of a Woman Golfer, Simon & Schuster, 1979.

SIDELITES:

Since becoming a professional golfer in 1978, Nancy Lopez has consistently ranked among the top women on the circuit. She is one of only five women in the sport to have earned more than \$ 1 million in her career. In addition, she has won over 40 tournament victories and has been named to the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA) Hall of Fame.

Lopez first became a golf enthusiast as a child when her parents took up the game for her mother's health. By the age of 11, she was a better golfer than either of her parents. Her father became convinced that Nancy was champion material and began to groom her for tournament play. The family scrimped on its own needs to finance her golfing. The family's dedication seemed justified by her performance on the golf course. At the age of 12, she won the first of three state women's tournaments. While still in high school, she finished second in the Women's Open. In 1972 and 1974, she won the U.S. Girls Junior title. And as a student at the University of Tulsa, she won the intercollegiate title before

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dropping out of school to turn professional.

During her first year on the professional circuit, Lopez broke several standing records. She began the year by winning the Bent Tree Classic at Sarasota, Florida, in February, then went on to win a record five tournaments in succession, including the prestigious LPGA title. (Lopez has since won a second LPGA title as well as a Nabisco Dinah Shore title.) By August of 1978 she had surpassed the highest earnings record, \$ 150,000, set by Judy Rankin in 1976. Lopez went on to earn more than \$ 200,000 by the end of the year. She also endorsed or made commercials for various golf products.

Since her initial appearance on the pro circuit, Lopez has always been ranked at the very top of her sport. In 1979, she won 8 of the 19 tournaments she entered, a feat Bruce Newman of Sports Illustrated called "one of the most dominating sports performances in half a century." Lopez had her best year in 1985, when she earned more money---over \$ 400,000---than any other player on the circuit. She won five tournaments and set a record-high scoring average of 70.73 percent. In 1987 Lopez was named to the LPGA Hall of Fame, "which has the most difficult requirements for entry of any sports Hall of Fame in the nation," as Gordon S. White, Jr., noted in the New York Times. Thirty tournament victories, two of them major titles, are needed for Hall of Fame inclusion.

Through it all, Lopez has managed to balance the demands of a sports career with those of a wife and mother. In fact, she told Joseph Durso of the New York Times: "I like being a wife and mother more than I like professional golf." She and her husband, baseball player Ray Knight, share the necessary domestic duties between them. "We complement each other," Knight told Durso. "We help each other with the chores." And Knight occasionally caddies for his wife. Because of their respective status in golf and baseball, Lopez and Knight are "probably the most prominent married couple in sports," according to Durso. They are also among the happiest. Lopez told Jaime Diaz in Sports Illustrated: "I'm so happy with my life, that now when I play, there is no pressure. It's just all fun, and when it's fun, you perform better."

SOURCES: New York Times, March 31, 1985; May 19, 1988.

People, April 25, 1983.

Sports Illustrated, August 5, 1985; August 4, 1986; February 9, 1987.

Sketch by Denise Wiloch

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HEADLINE: SEX THERAPIST, GOLFER AMONG 10 MOTHERS NAMED TO ELITE LIST

BODY:

Sex therapist Ruth Westheimer, golfer Nancy Lopez, opera singer Marilyn Horne and airline flight attendant Ulrike Derickson were named among the 10 Outstanding Mothers of 1986 Monday by the National Mother's Day Committee.

Also named were Olympic runner Valerie Brisco-Hooks, Beatrice Coleman, president and chief executive officer of Maidenform Inc.; actresses Carmen de Lavallade and Janet Leigh; and East Coast newswomen Judy Licht and Marjorie Margolies.

Derickson, a TWA employee, last summer played a heroine's role in the Beirut plane hijacking incident. A native of Czechoslovakia, she came to America in 1967.

Phyllis George, named to the top 10 in 1981 for helping abused women and children while she was the first lady of Kentucky, will make the official presentations Tuesday.

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June 14, 1982

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HEADLINE: MINUS 30 POUNDS AND A HUSBAND, GOLFER NANCY LOPEZ CARRIES A LIGHTER BAG

BODY:

A chubby charmer with a formidable swing, Nancy Lopez joined the Ladies' Professional Golf Association tour in 1977 and the next year won nine tournaments, \$189,000 and a mass of fans who came to be known as "Nancy's Navy" -- her answer to Arnie's Army. Then one day while Lopez was playing in Hershey, Pa., a handsome Harrisburg sportscaster named Tim Melton broke through the crowd to interview her.

The attraction was immediate, and they married six months later on Nancy's 22nd birthday. "Everyone thinks my life is perfect," says Nancy, now 25, but it clearly hasn't been. Last January Nancy moved out of the couple's Houston home, and recently she filed for divorce. "Tim is a good, Christian man," she notes. "We're just opposites, and I didn't realize it until this past year. When I met him I was concerned about finding someone who respected me and wasn't interested in my money. Now I see there are other things in a marriage."

Although Lopez has won only one tournament so far this year, she doesn't blame her failed marriage. "When I'm on the golf course I'm in another world," she insists. "I really concentrate." Rather, she says, golf handicapped her marriage. "I always said I'd quit the game and have children when I made the Hall of Fame [she hasn't yet]. But I knew Tim didn't want me to wait too long. Also, I wanted to play exhibitions for charities, but he thought I should spend that time with him." When she marries again, she says, "I'll find someone who understands that for now, my career has to come first."

That may not be difficult. Since the breakup her gallery has swelled with male fans. But she credits this to a 30-pound weight loss, not her divorce. "When I was fat I had a lot of people watching me because of the way I played. Now I'm getting a lot more gentlemen. It's a real ego builder." One particularly visible candidate for Lopez's affection has been Houston Astros third baseman Ray Knight, a neighbor in Texas who has been spotted in Nancy's gallery. She's noncommittal: "Ray and I are good friends. I don't know what will happen after my divorce."

That could be next month. To mark the occasion Nancy plans to buy a white Cadillac. "I've always wanted one, but I'm afraid if I buy it now I might have to split it with Tim," she says, aware that Texas is a community property state.

A sports reporter for Channel 13, the ABC affiliate in Houston, Melton still lives in the couple's home and remains insistently loyal to Nancy. "I don't want the divorce," he confesses. "I love Nancy very much. She was a wonderful wife."

1982 Time Inc., People, June 14, 1982

Nancy's Catholic upbringing in Roswell, N.Mex. prepared her to be a traditional bride. "My parents believed that men were supposed to support women and that women were supposed to take care of men," she remembers. While she was married, she tried to fulfill that role. "I'd come home at the end of the tour and cook for Tim and iron his clothes," she says. "I didn't do it because I had to. I enjoyed it." Now, when Nancy returns to Houston to pick up clothes or talk to her lawyer, she stays in a motel. "People look at me in a curious way," she notes. "I know when I got married it was very special for a lot of my fans. I hope that the divorce won't anger them."

The end of her marriage dovetailed with her new devotion to physical health. A longtime junk-food addict (Big Macs and french fries were favorites), Nancy had ballooned to 161 pounds last November. That's when she entered the Palm-Aire health spa in Pompano Beach, Fla. for a total overhaul. "The spa changed my attitude about eating and exercising," says Nancy, who at 5'4 1/2" now weighs 130 pounds and follows a daily regimen of stretch exercises. The weight loss, she thinks, has even helped her game. "Last year I had a lot of wrist and shoulder injuries," she says. "I think when you're overweight, your body just goes berserk."

Despite her newly svelte shape and single status, Nancy still doesn't like to go out much. As she puts it: "I don't mind staying in my hotel and ordering room service." Last month, though, Nancy took three weeks off from the tour to visit a girlfriend in La Grange, Ill. There she played golf at the local country club and watched her favorite television shows -- Dallas, Magnum, P.I. and Quincy. One night she went to a disco, but none of the men recognized her. "They often don't," she says with a smile as wide as the fairway, "without my visor."

GRAPHIC: Picture, "I'll keep my own name if I marry again," says Lopez. She became Nancy Lopez-Melton after her storybook wedding. UPI; Photograph 1, no caption; Photograph 2, Since her separation, Nancy (teeing off in Corning, N.Y.) says, "My fans look at me more and I see curiosity in their faces." Photographs 1 and 2, by Ken Regan/Camera 5

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I am grateful for your work, and I am committed to continuing support of your efforts.

Now, let's take a few questions. But afterwards ... Nancy, I've got my clubs handy ... just in case you're willing to give me some pointers. I want to beat Dan Quayle the next time we play.

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SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

June 17, 1992

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REQUEST: To have the President present the Flo Hyman Award sponsored by the Women's Sports Foundation

PURPOSE: To honor champion golfer Nancy Lopez, the winner of the 1992 Flo Hyman Award

BACKGROUND: The Flo Hyman Award is given annually to a female athlete who demonstrates dignity, spirit and commitment to excellence.

This year's award recipient, Nancy Lopez, was inducted into the Ladies' Professional Golf Association Hall of Fame in 1987. She had accumulated 44 victories in her professional career. She was previously named Rolex Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year among others. In 1991, she won the Sara Lee Classic.

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: The President had presented the award to previous winners including Chris Evert, Evelyn Ashford, and Diana Golden.

DATE AND TIME: Late July; mid-morning

DURATION: 15 minutes

LOCATION: Rose Garden

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Nancy Lopez and her guests
Representatives from the Women's Sports Foundation

**SEQUENCE OF
EVENTS:**

- The President enters the Rose Garden.
- The President greets Nancy Lopez and guests.
- The President and Nancy Lopez pose for a photo session
- The President departs.

REMARKS: None

MEDIA COVERAGE: Open Press