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Dear Alexis,

It's been a long time since we last spoke, although I have followed your career with a great deal of interest. I am still in New York and currently a Vice President at Morgan Stanley.

I write to you today as Board Vice President of The Children's Village, a residential treatment center for abused and neglected boys (ages 5 - 15) from New York City. Given the Administration's commitment to children, I thought you would be interested to learn of one of the Village's successful programs helping disadvantaged kids.

This program, known as **WAY--Work Appreciation for Youth--**has been recognized as a model in breaking the cycles of delinquency and unemployment. It has been the most dramatically successful program we have ever operated and is designed to teach work ethics and the value of education.

I am forwarding a short video of a recent NBC Nightly News feature on the **WAY Program**, a recent article in The New York Times, as well as some other background materials for your information (that's me running on our new track with some of the boys).

I would like you to see, firsthand, some of the work we do with these kids who need and deserve our help. Let me know if you are in New York and have an hour or two to let me show you around our remarkable agency. Hopefully, I'll see you in Mobile this summer.

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# The New York Times

NEW YORK, MONDAY, MARCH 7, 1994

## Rescuing Troubled Boys: An Unlikely Story

Program Teaches Work Ethic Through Close Attention and Friendly Pressure

By MELINDA HENNEBERGER

By the time he was 11, Aron Myers had already been kicked out of four foster homes and five schools, usually for fighting.

A dozen years later, he is a senior psychology major at Canisius College in Buffalo, completing his course work by correspondence while working full-time at a Syracuse center for adults with developmental disabilities. In his off-hours, he developed the curriculum for a summer course he teaches at Onondaga Community College: "Building Friendships." And he hopes to enter graduate school in 1995 to study both social work and law. "I'm trying to find someone who's done that," he said earnestly, "and find out how did they meet their goals and why."

What turned a troubled boy with a temper into graduate-school material with a five-year plan?

Mr. Myers credits a pioneering "work ethic" program set up a decade ago by philanthropists who invested \$1 million in the proposition that even the most damaged and deprived children could be taught to value education, save for the future and take pride in their work — just as systematically as children are schooled in algebra and geography.

The program, Work Appreciation for Youth, or W.A.Y., started at Children's



Michael J. Okoniewski for The New York Times

Aron Myers credits the Work Appreciation for Youth program with turning him from a troubled boy with a temper into a successful college student with plans to attend graduate school. He combed the hair of Eugene Plowe, a resident of a Syracuse center for adults with developmental disabilities.

Village, a home in Dobbs Ferry in Westchester County for boys deemed too unruly for foster families to handle. It has attracted national attention in the child-welfare field both because studies have tracked its success over 10 years and because it has worked with precisely those children judged most likely to fail.

### What Few Parents Dare

Even the most committed parents sometimes struggle to get their children to empty the dishwasher or hang on to their allowance, and half the boys at Children's Village have no family to return to. But W.A.Y. counselors do what few parents would dare: long after the child leaves the home, they drop in regularly and harp on the importance of school, work and savings. They show up unexpectedly at school and jobs, too, and keep in sometimes daily contact with teachers, principals and employers.

Four out of five of the youths who entered the W.A.Y. program stuck with it. Eighty-seven percent of those have either graduated from high school, earned a graduate equivalency diploma or remained in school. Of those, 53 percent are in college now.

The dropout rate in the W.A.Y. pro-

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# 'Work Ethic' Program for Boys Uses Friendly Pressure

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gram — 13 percent over a five-year period — compares with 33 percent of those in a control group who gained work experience at Children's Village but received less-intensive follow-up services. Among all New York City public high school students in the class of '92, 16.2 percent dropped out over a four-year period, according to the latest statistics provided by the Board of Education.

Nan Dale, executive director of the Children's Village, which was founded in 1851 as the New York Juvenile Asylum, said the research indicated that the work-ethic program could easily be replicated.

## Major Problems

But despite inquiries from more than 100 programs across the country, the program has not yet been tried elsewhere. The New York State Department of Social Services has expressed interest in "teasing some lessons out of it," one official said, and a center in the Buffalo area plans to begin a similar program in the fall. Most child welfare agencies, though, cannot afford to finance similar services.

"It's major dollars," said David Liederman, executive director of the Child Welfare League of America in Washington, who praised the program as "unique in starting kids at an early age and following up for five years."

But he said the political will was lacking to pay more for programs, regardless of their track record or potential for long-term savings.

According to Children's Village administrators, the program costs \$50 to \$60 extra a week per child, and almost all of that goes for counseling and research staff.

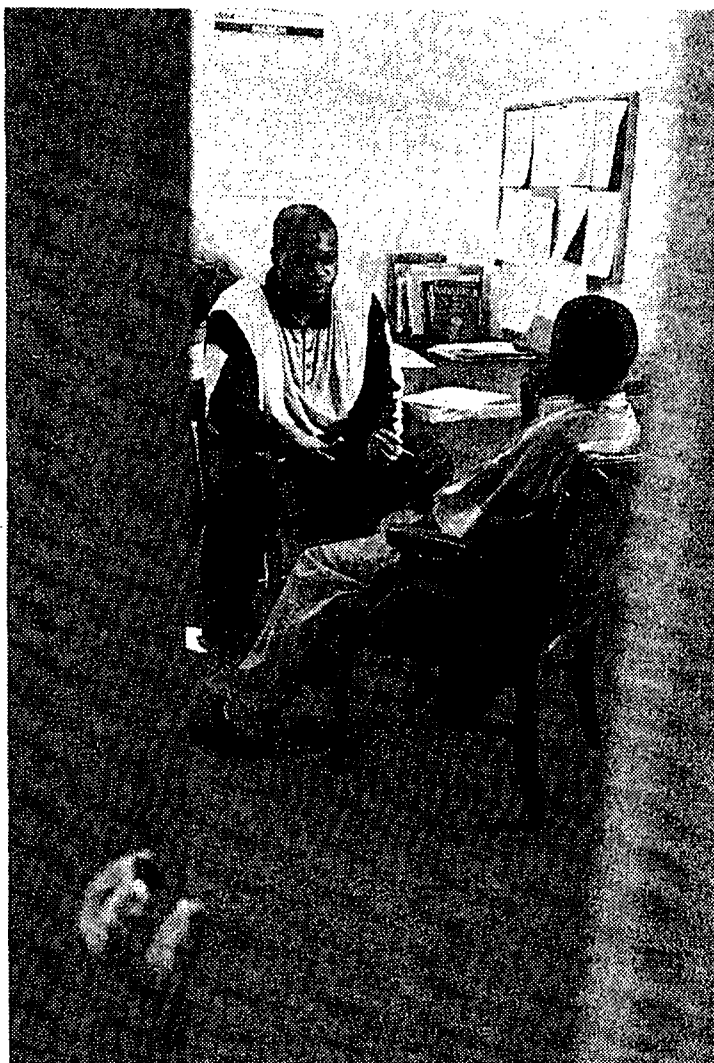
## Pride in Chores

All residents of the 150-acre Children's Village, including some children as young as 5, start out in a junior version of the W.A.Y. program by learning to take pride in whatever household chores they do. The staff in the 21 cottages where the children live try to convince them that keeping their homes neat is an important accomplishment.

In one cottage, a shy 14-year-old, John T., offered a tour of his room, where posters of the football players Lawrence Taylor and Emmitt Smith were taped over his bed.

"We got the best unit," he said, his voice almost a whisper. "We keep our stuff clean and organized."

When the boys are around age 8 they get their first paid jobs, doing supervised work around the "neighborhood" of their cottages — raking leaves, washing cars or acting as messengers for 50 or 75 cents an hour. The point, Ms. Dale said, is not the job itself as much as learning pride in



Joyce Dopkeen/The New York Times

Work Appreciation for Youth teaches the work ethic the way schools teach algebra or geography. It started at Children's Village, a home in Dobbs Ferry in Westchester County for boys deemed too unruly for foster families to handle. Sean Creighton, a counselor there, worked recently with John T., a 14-year-old from Brooklyn.

completing it.

At the next stage of the program, boys can apply for jobs at the campus greenhouse, the student newspaper or the snack bar, where working as a cashier is a high-prestige assignment.

An electrical fire recently destroyed the building where many of these jobs were housed, but Ms. Dale said she hoped to find new accommodations within a few weeks.

To get a job on campus, a boy must fill out an application, get a reference from a member of the cottage staff and be interviewed by a prospective supervisor. The boys are paid \$1 an hour, with 25-cent merit raises possible each quarter. If they want to leave a job, they must give two weeks' notice in writing. And if their job performance is not up to par they can be suspended or terminated, after which they meet with counselors who try to help them learn from the experience and encourage them to apply for another job.

At age 10, John T. began working in the campus greenhouse. "I didn't know how to work," he said, "so it taught me how to work with other people and plant seeds and water plants. We had to know the names of the plants, and before we could use a tool we had to know the name of the tool."

His earlier job experiences were not completely successful, and he acknowledged that he had been suspended from jobs several times for stealing. Still, he said, he is learning from his mistakes.

"As soon as I steal something I'd be like, 'Dag, I don't want to do that no more,' but then the next time I see something, I'd take it. But I started improving," he says. "People are trying to let me know I'm getting older and have to start taking responsibility."

Boys who have done well in their on-campus jobs can apply for off-campus jobs with local merchants who work closely with Children's Village counselors, giving them almost daily attendance and performance reports.

"I had an off-campus paper route and that was the first time I ever felt trusted," Mr. Myers said. "When the people on my route would call my manager and give me compliments, it was like 'Wow, I can do something.'" All money earned by the residents is kept in accounts they can monitor and draw on under certain conditions.

Finally, about six months before they are due to leave Children's Village, residents can apply to join the five-year W.A.Y. scholarship program, the group that is tracked by the longitudinal study. Participants in that group — there have been 155 so far — stay in close contact with their counselors after they leave the home.

"I had poor time management, so my counselor would come to the group home in Queens every week and plot out the week with me," Mr. Myers said, adding that the counselor would then follow up with phone calls throughout the week. "Even now I still do what he said. I say, 'I need to do this many chapters by Tuesday to do the test Wednesday night.'"

## Matching Funds for School

Under the scholarship program, every dollar the youths save for their education is matched by Children's Village donors. If a young man leaves the program before the five years are up, he loses the matching funds.

John T. was among those who recently joined the five-year program. "It's good for five years, so if I leave this place one day I have something to be in," he said.

Sean Creighton, John's counselor, said it was harder to work with young men once they returned home, got an apartment or moved into a group home. "Once they get back in the community it gets tougher to convince them that the fast track never lasts," he said. "When I give them that talk, they do the usual teen-age thing — for the moment they agree with you. But that's why you have to stay in their face."

Bobby Lopez, 20, who lives in a small brick home in Jamaica, Queens, has been in the scholarship program for four years.

"To be honest, I didn't really want my counselor coming to college because it seems like a thing a father would do for his son in grade school," he said, sitting at the kitchen table where he had been drawing up a grocery list.

Like many of the young men in the program, Mr. Lopez does not have parents, and his complaint about the counselors, who have clearly become like family, is in a sense the highest compliment.

He credits the counselors with keeping him in college. "I was recently getting into trouble with my priorities and I was working with the whole home team," said Mr. Lopez. "Then you've got 10 people up in your face telling you to do well. But it did show they care."

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## Dream of track comes true for Children's Village

By Marie Szaniszlo  
Staff Writer

The boys at Children's Village marveled at their good fortune yesterday, oblivious to the afternoon cold and overcast skies as they took their marks on a track the color of the fallen leaves.

For the first time, winning was within their grasp.

After more than two decades of making do, the residential treatment center for troubled boys dedicated a 200-meter track yesterday on its Dobbs Ferry campus.

"For ... years, we didn't have a track; we had a dream of a track," said Frank Hartsoe, director of the center's recreational services department. "But we never dreamed we'd have a track like this ... This is the greatest piece of cooperation I've seen in a long time."

Last year, the Reader's Digest Association pledged \$75,000 toward the track's

construction if the center could raise an equal amount through donations.

"It was an opportunity we wanted to provide for the youngsters," association President J. Edward Hall said. "Sports are the most important vehicle for building self-esteem and confidence."

If anyone can attest to that, it is New York City Marathon founder Fred Lebow, who fought his way back from a lengthy battle with cancer recently to run in the marathon. Yesterday, Lebow traded the 26-mile run for a few laps around the Children's Village track — and loved every moment.

"I've been to many (track) openings," he said, "but this track is magnificent."

"This was done for the kids and the message that Fred Lebow brings," Children's Village Executive Director Nan Dale said, "which is that they can set personal goals that with work they can achieve."



Staff photo/Seth Harrison

Fred Lebow, right, founder of the NYC Marathon, leads a ceremonial lap around the new running track at Children's Village in Dobbs Ferry yesterday.

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ANNA QUINDLEN

## A Feeling Called Mama

At Children's Village, a residential treatment center for 300 kids in New York's Westchester County, there are boys who will tell you that Mama walks on water. Could be that Mama said she was coming on visiting day and didn't show. Could be that Mama said they'd live together soon and then disappeared. Could be that Mama hit hard and said mean things.

Doesn't matter. It's not Mama they're really thinking of. It's something they can't put a name to, something like being under a warm blanket on a cold morning with sunshine coming through the blinds. It's security and stability. It's being happy.

At the moment Gregory Kingsley stopped thinking of that feeling as Mama, Rachel Kingsley had already lost him.

In a landmark custody case, 12-year-old Gregory got his own lawyer, went to court and said he'd been bounced around long enough by his 30-year-old mother and a system that had served them both poorly. Over Rachel Kingsley's objections, a judge ruled last week that Gregory is now the adopted son of the Florida couple who took him from a group home.

The case may not set any sweeping legal precedent, despite the fears of some conservatives. But perhaps it will serve notice on policy makers. It was as though Gregory had shouted: Remember the Children.

"I just thought she forgot about me," he said of his biological mother.

Instead he dismissed her. He found a happy home, and he wanted to stay, to know where he would wake up from

month to month, year to year. Ms. Kingsley's attorneys argued that the boy merely chose an affluent home over a poor one, but it seemed more likely that he chose stability over uncertainty.

He'd lived with Rachel Kingsley for only seven months of the last eight years, been placed in foster care three times. The black eye Gregory said his mother got from her boyfriend, the late-night parties he testified occupied her time, the vagaries of hard luck — the trial testimony was sad and sordid, pitting needy mother against triumphant child.

Rachel Kingsley made some good points in court about how the system treats the poor. In New York City, for instance, an unemployed mother with two young children receives \$577 a month in public assistance, according to the Human Resources Administration. If each of those children goes to a foster home and their mother remains on welfare, the total comes to around \$1,250. An intact family gets half as much financial support as what you might call an untact one.

Rachel Kingsley says she put Gregory in foster care because she couldn't support him. That's how lots of children wind up there. We give parents time to get their

## Gregory Kingsley gets a new family in court.

lives together. But the clock is running on the kids.

Nan Dale, the executive director of Children's Village, says that it is not uncommon for the facility to get children who have lived in half a dozen foster homes. Some are as young as 5 and will never be freed for adoption or reunited with their biological mothers. "Not only the child but the system clings to this fantasy that biology is always better," says Ms. Dale.

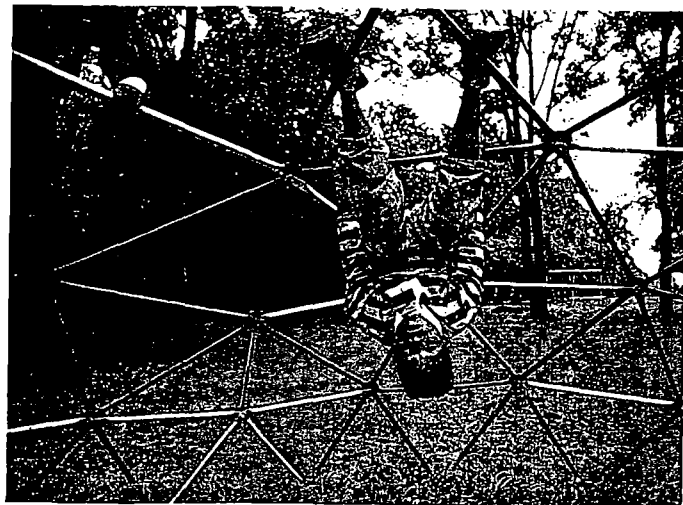
Here's heresy: There's nothing magical about motherhood if you don't work at it. The phrase "natural mother" should be retired; it is insulting both to those women who have adopted children and those who have to work so hard — "natural" implying effortless — to nurture their kids. Rachel Kingsley didn't send a card at Christmas. She says Gregory was always in her thoughts. That's just not enough. He was in limbo, too.

The extraordinary thing about this case is not that it is believed to be the first time a minor was granted independent legal status to sue his parents. It is that Gregory Kingsley was whole enough to envision a future and fight for it. Ms. Dale says that at Children's Village they now have kids violent and angry beyond words, whose nomadic existence from rejection to rejection has taught them, above all, that they are subhuman.

Children like these are being sacrificed for a false ideal that Gregory Kingsley refused to accept, the ideal that biological is always better. The child welfare system in this country is driven by that ideal today, and because of it we are victimizing thousands of children who wait in foster homes and group homes and treatment centers for parents who, like Godot, somehow never come. We demand that young children sacrifice for the sake of what's best for their parents. It's supposed to be the other way around. □

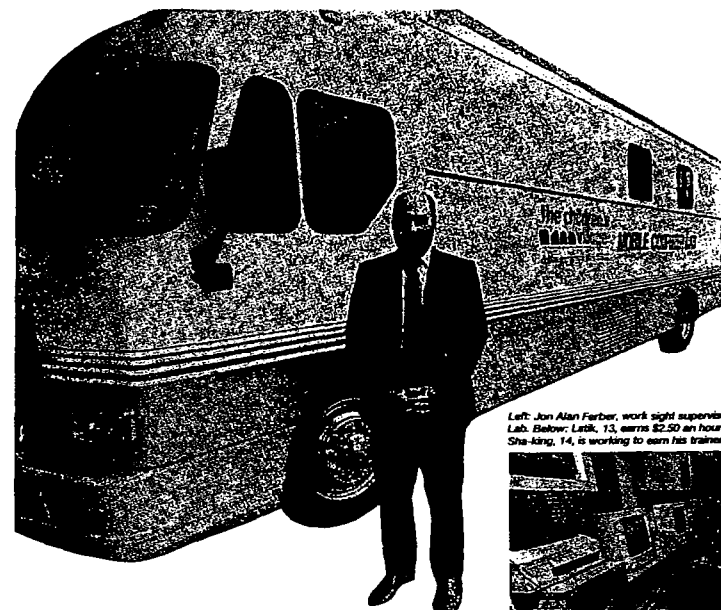


Children's Village is the last chance for many of its 314 boys, ages 5 through 18. Emotionally disturbed or damaged by abuse, they were too troubled for parents or foster care and get psychotherapy, schooling, and 24-hour-a-day care on this 150-acre campus in Dobbs Ferry, New York. They stay on average 30 months; those with nowhere to go next remain until graduation. Federal, state, and local funds pay most of the annual \$45,000-per-child cost. Is executive director Nan Dale's job depressing? "Exactly the opposite," she says. "It's miraculous to see children with such horrible life stories gain the ability to live and trust again. One of our kids got into Cornell this year."



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## THE FALL 1992 REVIEW OF COMPUTERS



Left: Jon Alan Ferber, work site supervisor, and The Children's Village Mobile Computer Lab. Below: Latik, 13, earns \$2.50 an hour as a computer bus trainer. Sha-king, 14, is working to earn his trainer's certificate.



Debbie Brown Forbes

### LEARNING ABOUT PCs — AND LIFE — ABOARD THE COMPUTER BUS

Every week last summer, a dozen residents of the St. Cabrini Nursing Home stood outside their building waiting for a sleek, new bus from The Children's Village to arrive in the parking lot. "There was excitement as soon as it pulled in," activity leader Scott Kleckner recalled last month. "Their faces would light up."

The bus was the 42-foot Mobile Computer Lab, a futuristic arcade on wheels featuring 12 workstations with Magnavox PCs and color monitors, six Canon Bubble Jet Printers, and six Sony Trinitron monitors that instructional videotapes can be viewed on. The elderly residents of the home were looking forward to learning word processing and drawing programs, playing computer games, and listening to CDs of classical music and hits from the '30s and '40s.

But the main attraction for the seniors wasn't really all that fancy equipment. It was the well-dressed staff of six boys who were their instructors, all of them residents of a treatment center for trou-

bled youth that is located across town in Dobbs Ferry, N.Y.

"Their biggest experience was the rapport they got from working with the children," Kleckner said, adding that St. Cabrini residents were eagerly awaiting a return series of visits from the Mobile Computer Lab this winter.

The 314 boys who are residents of The Children's Village come from extremely troubled backgrounds and have serious emotional and developmental problems, according to executive director Nan Dale. The staff works with the entire family, Dale said, in an attempt to return them to a stable, healthy environment. The average resident's age is 11, the average stay is for 30 months. Most of the residents are placed by the New York City Department of Social Services, and about 50% of them eventually return to their families.

"We provide an extremely stimulating atmosphere — a choir, a steel-drum band, art, basketball, for example — so

that they can find something to excel in," Dale said. "But sometimes the only thing that works for them is something like computers."

The children live in 21 cottages that line a long oval on the 160-acre suburban campus. All of the boys attend 10 lessons in the bus with their cottage mates to introduce them to the fun and power of computing. Those who are particularly enthralled can choose to work on the computer bus as part of the W-A-Y program — Work Appreciation for Youth — that develops the skills and principles needed in the business world. First, though, they must take an additional 10 lessons for which they pay \$1 each. They then must pass an exam, and then take five more lessons before they are certified as trainers. But the boys are also paid \$1 an hour for their work on the bus. There is a salary review every six weeks, and earnings can go as high as \$3 an hour.

"Computers are excellent teachers of cause and effect," said Dale. "When you ask, 'Why did you get kicked out of school,' a boy may answer, 'Because my teacher hates me.' With the computer, they quickly learn that exactly what

they put in is what they get out." Dale also points out that the computer does not criticize or embarrass.

Trainers on the computer bus also taught basic PC skills to younger children at the Ossining Community Center and several other sights last year.

"The kids got to play big brother. The younger children trusted them and looked up to them," said vocational coordinator Kathy Moccia.

The Mobile Computer Lab was designed from scratch by E&S Computer Services of Hastings-on-Hudson, N.Y., to replace an old Greyhound that was constantly breaking down and contained outmoded equipment. The Smart Family Foundation contributed \$125,000 to purchase the vehicle, and \$12,500 worth of hardware and software was donated by Datability of Carlstadt, N.J. The school has willingly fielded requests

about the computer bus and its training program from all over the world. A group in Northern Ireland is using it as a model for a "Bytes for Belfast" program.

When we dropped in on a training class last month, work site supervisor Jon Alan Ferber was showing two veteran trainers and three recruits how to compose a letterhead in *GenWrite*. The veterans — Latik and Jackie — whipped right through the lesson, then offered help to Sha-king, Anthony and Kyhiem.

One inevitable result of using fine computer equipment, of course, is that it always leaves you dreaming about upgrading to the next level. During our visit, on the day Ross Perot re-entered the presidential race, the boys were a bit frustrated that they couldn't get the same color output from their printers that they saw on the monitors. One suggested that they put their newly formatted letterheads to good use by writing George Bush for funds to purchase color printers.

"And Bill Clinton," chimed in a second.

"Ross Perot, too," said a third.

Now that's democracy and a politician's knack for covering all bases — in action. ■

# THE HUMAN RACE

EDITED BY EILEEN PORTZ-SHOVLIN

**T**he boys who come to live at The Children's Village in Dobbs Ferry, New York, have little reason to feel good about themselves. Most of them have been seriously abused or neglected. "One of the major goals at the Village is to promote self-esteem and competency," says **Melvin Washington**, a board member and avid runner. "And running is the single activity that can accomplish these objectives most effectively."

Washington believes so strongly in this idea that he has spent the last several years raising funds for a track-and-field facility for the boys. And he's making strides. Last spring Reader's Digest Association donated \$75,000 toward the estimated \$145,000 total cost. "These boys need this track," says Washington. "It's a ticket to physical and mental fitness. Striving for a better time in the 50-yard dash translates to striving in other areas."

Washington should know. A manager for Solomon Brothers on Wall Street, he competes in many Central Park races as a master. "Running is an outlet," he says. "It's a form of therapy. And it will enable every child to be a winner—on and off the track."

**Melvin Washington**



**Tony Stratta**

# RUNNER'S WORLD

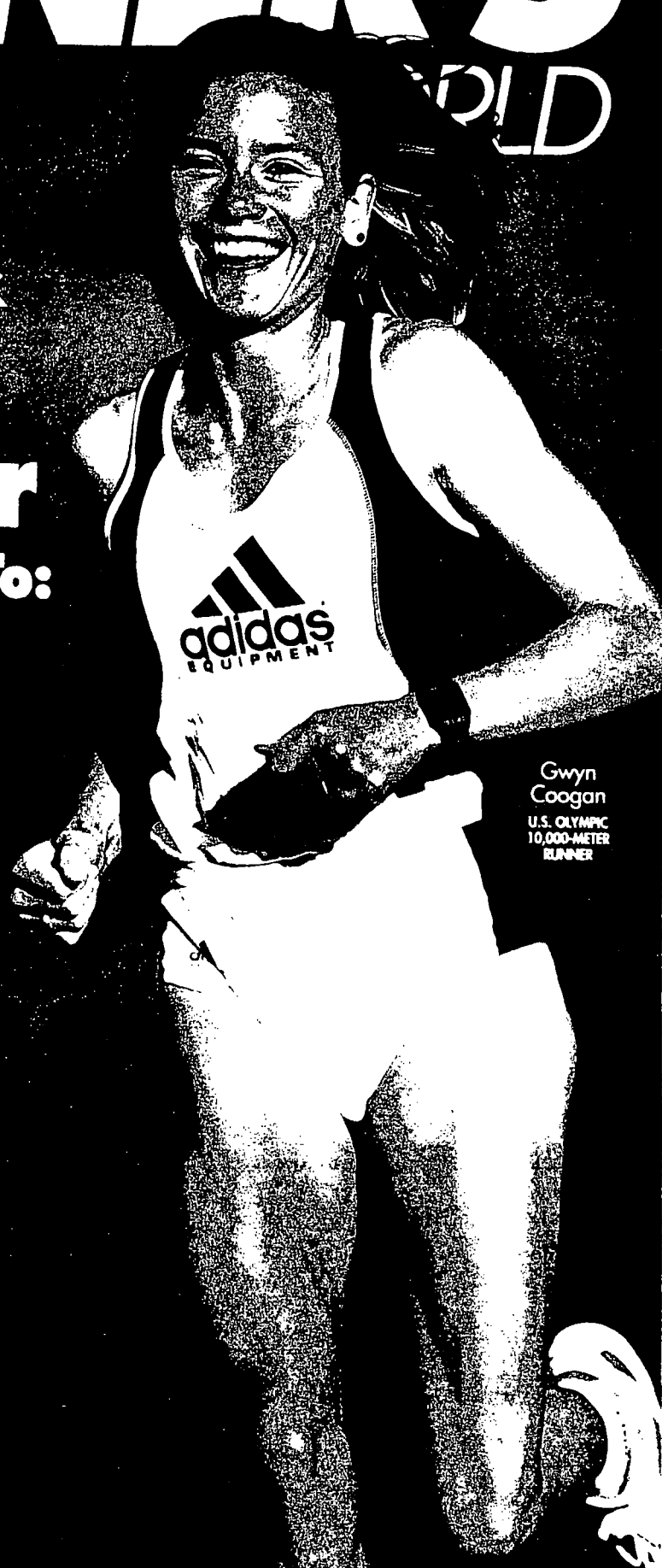
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## "Without the Donors Out There... I Wouldn't Be Sitting In This Chair..."

At first, Jean and DeWayne Dickey thought their 2-year-old son, Mark, was sick with a virus or the flu. But after dinner one night, he had a bad fall. "He screamed for almost two hours," Jean says, "and we were up all night with him."

The Dickeys had no idea why their son was in so much pain, but cancer never occurred to them. Soon it would be all they could think about. After a specialist had examined Mark, the diagnosis was Wilms' Tumor—a malignant tumor originating in the kidney, and in Mark's case, it had grown around his left kidney. Because of the invasive growth of the tumor, the kidney had to be removed, and Mark underwent surgery on February 2, 1970.

Mark is Jean and DeWayne's youngest child—they have another son and two daughters—so Mark was "the baby in the family."

Now their baby might never grow up.

"They gave us no hope whatsoever," Jean says. "Out of the three children that had surgery that year (for Wilms'), Mark was the only one that survived, and we've never stopped thanking God for that, because he was literally a miracle."

Mark's doctor referred him to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital where he was given cobalt radiation treatments for six weeks, Saturdays and Sundays included. "No breaks," says Mark. The treatments were so debilitating that after each one of them, Mark says, "my dad used to pick me up, throw me over his shoulder and just haul me out."

Although he was very young at the time, Mark will never forget the radiation room or the enormous, green machine that hovered over him like a giant camera. Fortunately, during that frightening time in his life, Mark was able to draw comfort from an employee in the radiation department, a man all the children at the hospital called, "Mr. Ernest."

"He was the nicest, one of the sweetest men in the hospital," Mark says.

Mark also had chemotherapy treatments for a year. They made him so sick his mother would have to pull the car off to the side of the road several times on the way home. He'd recover quickly, though, and, once he'd perked up, Mark would ask his mother to stop at a McDonald's so he could have "some 'french fwies' and a coke."

Dr. Charles Pratt, one of Mark's St. Jude physicians, told Mark's parents that he would never give them any false hope. "He'd never tell them that everything was going to be okay, because he didn't know that," Mark says. "He'd just examine me, pat me on the bottom and say, 'Go home and see your sisters.'" Then, turning to Mark's parents, Dr. Pratt would tell them, "You've got a fine-looking boy there. Take him home and enjoy him."

Now 26 years old and a senior at the University of Memphis majoring in Journalism and Public Relations, Mark doesn't dwell on the past. That's not to say, though, that he's forgotten how he felt as a young cancer patient. "It was scary because of the images in the mirrors that you see, whether you're

looking at another boy or another girl. It was all cancer, and we were all going through the same thing... sometimes you'd make friends and then lose them, and you wouldn't know how or where. You'd see them one day, and the next you wouldn't. You don't understand the concept of death when you're 3 and 4 years old."

On the other hand, Mark says, "If the good Lord blessed me with anything, it was that I had to undergo that at such a young age...if I was older and already in school and had to lose a kidney, I think it would have been much more traumatic." As Mark's recovery moved from months

into years, he went from being a cancer patient to an active boy who played baseball, soccer and basketball and is now, as far as his St. Jude doctors know, the hospital's oldest surviving Wilms' tumor patient.

When he's not at the University, Mark works at ALSAC, the fund-raising arm of St. Jude Hospital, in their Volunteer Service Center. "If there's anything I can do to help St. Jude Hospital, I will," he says.

Because he comes into contact with so many St. Jude Hospital volunteers and donors, Mark can't praise them highly enough. "Without the donors out there that give their time, energy, love and support, I wouldn't be sitting in this chair, and I wouldn't have the opportunity to tell everyone how grateful I am."

His parents share that gratitude, but Mark's mother also believes that "if it had been his time, God would have taken him." In a lighter vein, she says, "During Mark's teen years, one of his sisters said he must have been put here for a purpose: 'to drive mother and daddy crazy!'"



Mark Dickey, right, chats with Keith Duma, patient, and Keith's mom, Lou

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June 13, 1994

Alexis Herman  
Assistant to the President & Director of Public Liaison  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington D.C. 20500

Dear Alexis,

Thank you so very much for your thoughtfulness during our time of grief. Your presence and contributions will be felt in my heart along with the memories of Robert.

The Greenwood Family appreciates the concern that you gave.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sam Greenwood', with a stylized, flowing script.

Sam Greenwood

Enclosures: Please forward the enclosed letter to President Clinton and his wife Hilary.  
Also, please hand out the Memorial Cards to the friends and co-workers that Robert worked with.

In Deep Appreciation

To thank you for your  
kindness  
and sympathy  
at a time  
when it was  
deeply appreciated

*The Greenwood Family*



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IN MEMORY OF  
ROBERT L. GREENWOOD

1955 - 1994

The Lord is my shepherd: I shall not want.

He maketh me lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil for thou art with me: thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

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Hope You're Feeling Better

Dear Alexis;  
I was just informed  
about your accident.  
I will keep you in our  
prayers.

Love Lewis  
Kathye

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JUN 30 1997

Dear Alexis-

Thank you so much for including me in your informal buffet last night. The food was spectacular, as always (as someone!), and I loved the company. That is wonderful of you to bring us together. It's so much fun and really does help us as we reach out to strengthen these relationships among women.

(over)

I truly enjoyed being here, and it was certainly a respite to this "hellacious" week!

Much thanks -

DORIS

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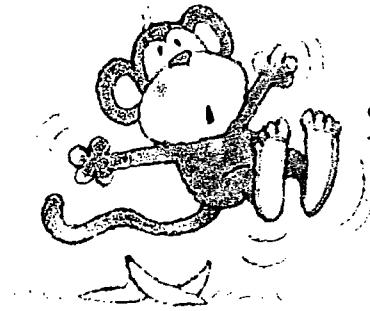
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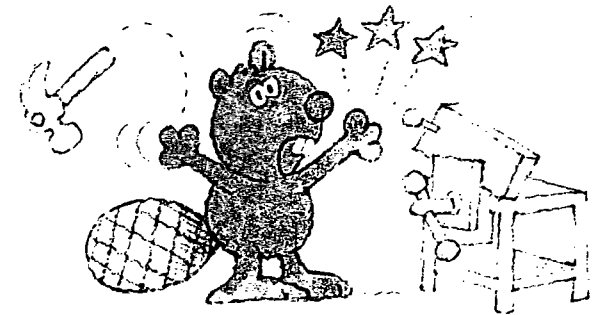
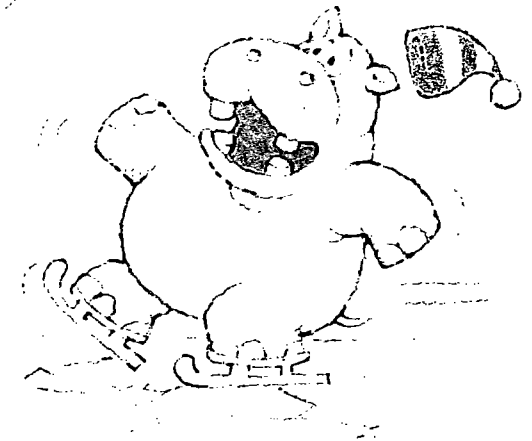
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Some slip on bananas

Or fall through  
thin ice



Hammer their thumbs  
Or get pinched in a vise...



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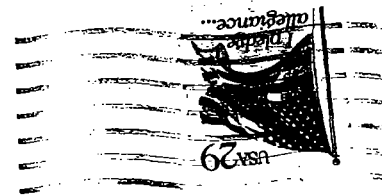
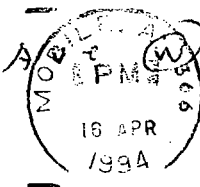
Dear  
Alexis -  
You're a good friend -  
to many!

LSH

(I sent them copies too)

B. J. B

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Brother, thank you note  
to Duwayne Benjamin  
20th Legislature of the Virgin Islands  
entertaining  
Uncle Pat while  
he was in the  
Virgin Islands

PERSONAL

ALEXIS M. HERMAN  
700 7TH ST S.W.  
WASH, D.C. - 20024

4/16/94

LEXIS,

I TOLD MY FRAT BROTHER  
HOW POWERFUL YOU ARE.

HE GAVE ME A GOOD TIME,

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May 24, 1994

The Honorable Alexis Herman  
Assistant to the President and  
Director of Public Liason  
Office of the President  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Alexis:

Memories from a great trip! I look forward to seeing you again soon.

Warmest regards,

*Linda*

Enclosure



*Thanks for all you do!*

*Thank you for including  
me on such a  
special trip.*

*Linda Johnson  
RICE*

*Alexis, I can't thank you enough  
for inviting me on such a special  
trip - thank god I had the good  
sense to change my mind and go!  
Let's stay in touch - Linda*



ESSENCE

1500 Broadway  
NY 10036

Susan L. Taylor

MAR - 4 1994

March 1, 1994

Dear Alexis,

IT was so good to see you  
at that glorious White House  
dinner last week.

If, during the summer, when

you take a long weekend break,  
you'd like to kick back at  
the beach in Sag Harbor with  
Khephra and me, we'd love  
to have you. There may even  
be direct flights from D.C. I'll  
check with you later this spring.

I've enclosed a copy of my  
new book, from my heart to yours.  
♥ Susan



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June 30, 1994

Alexis Herman  
Director of Public Liaison  
The White House  
1700 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Alexis:

Thank you very much for changing your schedule in order to appear at the City at Peace benefit on June 18th at Sidwell Friend's School. We were very pleased and honored to have support for the City at Peace from the President, Mrs. Clinton, yourself, and Donald Dunn. We know that your strong support, along with that of many others, will help us continue to make a difference for youths struggling with the critical issues surrounding violence in their communities and their lives. With your support, City at Peace will continue to reach thousands of lives each year.

As we announced at the benefit, City at Peace will again come to the Washington, D.C., area on Oct. 14 and Oct. 15, possibly at the Kennedy Center, to be underwritten by MTV and the D.C. Metropolitan Cable Council. Donald Dunn mentioned he would like to work with us on that program. We would welcome his help. I'll be out of town until mid July, but in the meantime if he has any questions, he can call the City at Peace office at (202) 637-5684.

Thank you again for knowing how important your presence was to us by attending the benefit. Your personal belief in Rickey and the value of his efforts is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

*Elizabeth Boyle*  
Elizabeth Glidden Boyle  
Rickey Payton, Sr.  
Board Members



## LINCOLN UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

June 1, 1994

JUN - 7 1994

Dear Friends of Lincoln:

Greetings once again in this our 140th anniversary year! It gives me great pleasure to send you the enclosed copy of African Profiles Magazine, which includes a major feature on Lincoln.

We are using this very exciting publication to supplement our annual fund drive. Thus, I am writing to ask all our friends and supporters who receive the African Profiles Magazine to please send us a contribution of \$25 or more to show your support for Lincoln. If you cannot give this amount, any contribution above the cost of the magazine will be greatly appreciated.

Please do not delay in sending us your donation. It must be received before June 30th in order to record it in our current fiscal year. However, if you send your contribution later, it will be recorded in the next fiscal year beginning July 1, 1994. Depending on when we receive your gift, it will be listed in the "Honor Roll of Giving" for FY'94 or FY'95, and a copy will be sent to you.

I sincerely hope that you will respond positively to this personal appeal. Please use the enclosed form to send your contribution directly to my office so that I will be able to see the fruits of this special solicitation, and promptly acknowledge your gift.

If you cannot make a contribution to Lincoln at this time, we would appreciate it if you would purchase this special edition of the magazine at its selling price of \$5.00.

I hope you will be enlightened and delighted by the wonderful coverage given to Lincoln in this internationally circulated magazine. I thank you in advance for your generous support.

Sincerely yours,

Niara Sudarkasa  
President

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JAN 25 1994

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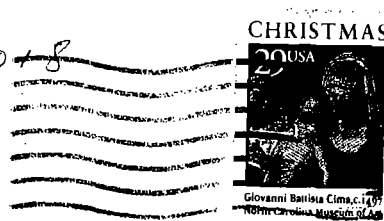
Thanks so much for  
the basket of baby goodies.  
They're wonderful! I  
can't wait for you to  
meet Alexandra. She  
looks very much like Shelby  
at this age. Thanks again  
and I'll see you very soon.

12 January 1994 | Joan

1924 Kearney St NE  
Washington



20024



Thank you  
from Joan  
Baggett

Ms. Alexis Herman  
700 7th St SW  
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November 19, 1993

Alexis Herman  
Director, Office of Public Liaison  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Alexis:

Words cannot tell you how much we appreciate the role you played at our conference this past week. We thank you so much for agreeing to help out at the last minute under difficult circumstances. I have never seen you speak when you were not eloquent and inspiring -- and you were all those things on Tuesday.

While conference participants were looking forward to meeting Ms. Kelley, they certainly understood the situation. I wish you could see the messages and words of encouragement that they wrote to her on the cards we provided. I have sent them on to the Washington Speakers Bureau to have sent to Ms. Kelley by Federal Express.

The conference was an outstanding success. It is extremely gratifying to see the commitment of women's employment and training programs and to have helped develop a vocal, effective advocacy voice for the concerns of women in training. And just think, you played an important role in getting it all started way back when. . .

I hope that we can have that lunch with Ruby. She was such a pleasure to work with; it would be a delight to meet her in person.

Congratulations to you and all the White House staff for your tremendous victory on NAFTA! Hopefully, you can now get a much deserved rest and enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday.

Again, I thank you for your contribution to making our conference such a success.

Sincerely,

Jill Miller  
Executive Director

P.S. How do you like our new name?

May 19, 1994

Rebecca B. N. Burkett  
2828 Dumfries Road  
Los Angeles, CA 90064

Dear Rebecca:

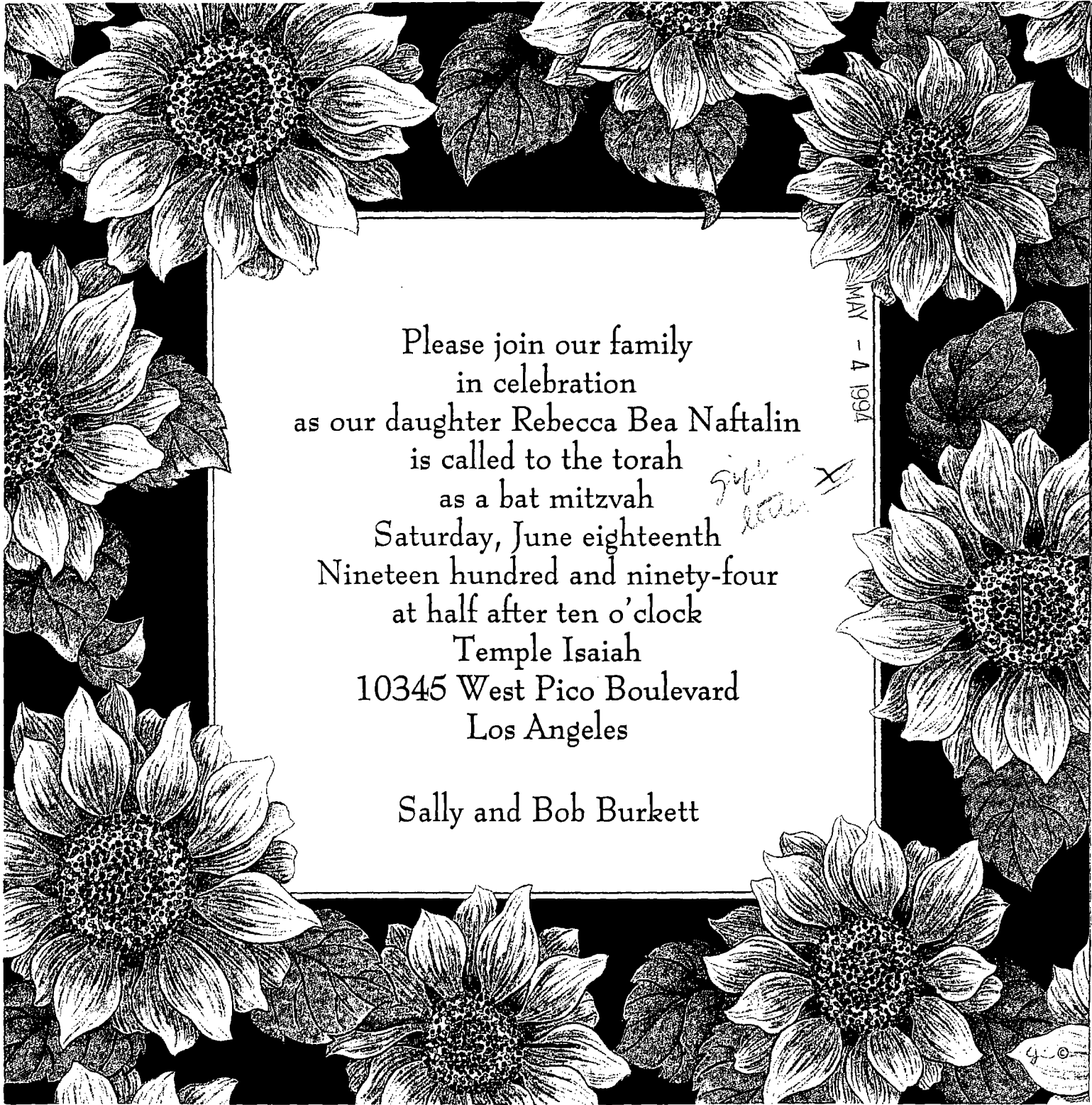
Congratulations on your bat mitzvah next month. I know your parents are very proud of this occasion in your life.

I am sorry I will not be able to be with you on your special day. Tell your parents to give you a big hug from me.

Sincerely,

Alexis M. Herman  
Assistant to the President and  
Director of Public Liaison

AMH:RGM



Please join our family  
in celebration  
as our daughter Rebecca Bea Naftalin  
is called to the torah  
as a bat mitzvah  
Saturday, June eighteenth  
Nineteen hundred and ninety-four  
at half after ten o'clock  
Temple Isaiah  
10345 West Pico Boulevard  
Los Angeles

Sally and Bob Burkett

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*Gift  
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The celebration continues  
Dinner and Dancing  
6:30 Saturday evening  
The Regency Club  
10900 Wilshire Boulevard  
Los Angeles

May 19, 1994

Terence Anthony Reddick, Esq.  
3126 Arizona Avenue, NW.  
Washington, D.C. 20016

Dear Terry:

Congratulations on your graduation from  
The Marshall-Wythe School of Law, College  
of William and Mary. I know your parents  
are very proud and I join in that pride.

I am sorry I will not be able to attend  
the reception in your honor; but, I will  
be there in spirit.

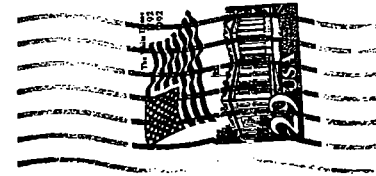
With warmest wishes,

Sincerely,

Alexis M. Herman  
Assistant to the President and  
Director of Public Liaison

AMH:RGM

Williams  
3126 Arizona Ave. N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20016



Ms. Alexis Herman  
The Assistant to the President  
for Public Liaison  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

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May 21, 1994  
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TERENCE ANTHONY REDDICK

MP

UPON HIS GRADUATION

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May 24, 1994

Paul Akio Kawata, Exec. Dir.  
National Minority AIDS Council  
300 Eye Street, NW./Suite 400  
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Dear Mr. Kawata:

I appreciate your sending me a copy of  
the April program of Our Place At The  
Table. I know that the program was very  
uplifting and rewarding.

Congratulations on a job well done! I  
join you in your sentiments that someday  
there will be a cure.

Sincerely,

Alexis M. Herman  
Assistant to the President and  
Director of Public Liaison

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May 9, 1994

Alexis Herman  
The White House - Office of Public Liaison  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Herman,

Recently the National Minority AIDS Council (NMAC) completed its 2nd annual **Our Place At The Table**, a public policy conference and congressional dinner. Enclosed is the program book from the event, we hope you will find it interesting.

Our Place At The Table brought together people of color working on the frontlines of this epidemic with congressional leaders. The keynote for the dinner was U.S. Surgeon General Joycelyn Elder. In her remarks, Dr. Elders noted "You (NMAC) are at the front line of HIV/AIDS, and you are an inspiration for all of us."

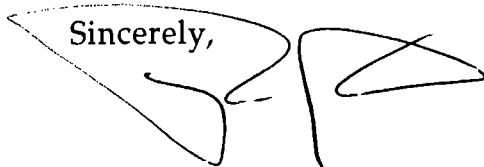
The focus of the conference was violence, particularly as it effects inner cities. We examined the violence of AIDS in the context of the violence of drugs, gangs, poverty and race.

The dinner was co-hosted by Carole Simpson of ABC News, and Bev Smith of Black Entertainment Television. The opening of the conference included words of inspiration from the Honorable Carrie Meek and the Honorable Maxine Waters.

Thank you for your support of NMAC. Your help is essential to ensure equal access for all to prevention, treatment and eventually a cure.

Yes, we all know that someday there will be a cure!

Sincerely,



Paul Akio Kawata  
Executive Director

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May 11, 1994

Mandinema R. Kumbula, Coordinator  
Symposium for Public Relations/  
Marketing Symposium  
2601 16th Street, NW./#886  
Washington, D.C. 20009

Dear Mandinema:

I am sorry that my schedule did not allow me to speak at the Symposium at Howard University. My staff mentioned to you that there were several White House events at which I had to staff the President. I am sure your Symposium was educational and informative.

Please remember me to your mother.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Alexis M. Herman  
Assistant to the President and  
Director of Public Liaison

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March

23, 1994

April 21, 1994

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Speak

Dear Ms. Herman,

I have been following your career since I was in high school — from running your own public relations firm to your valuable work in the White House. Presently I am a senior majoring in public relations at Howard University. I would especially love to have you speak on campus, because I have heard my mother, Barbara Jackson Kumbula, speak of you often.

She has spoken with pride of your schooling together at St. Peter Claver, Most Pure Heart of Mary and Xavier University. Please give this request your thorough consideration, because you have served as a source of inspiration to me throughout my four years at Howard University. I look forward to hearing from you soon and I hope to have the distinct pleasure of meeting with you.

Sincerely,

Mandirema R. Kumbula

2601 16th St., N.W., #886  
Washington, D.C. 20009  
March 22, 1994

The Honorable Alexis M. Herman  
Assistant to the President and Director of Public Liaison  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. Herman:

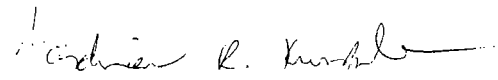
Encountering a trailblazer in the public relations field can propel a college student to the pinnacle of professional success. Due to your highly-visible accomplishments, we seek to put such power in your hands. On Thursday April 21, Howard University will hold a symposium in the School of Business, featuring professionals such as yourself. Since the program is entitled "Trailblazers--On the Cutting Edge and Setting Trends in Public Relations and Marketing," we would be honored to feature you as a guest speaker.

Although Howard University has one of the most diverse and proactive student bodies in the world, students often do not have direct access to esteemed individuals such as yourself. The symposium would be an ideal opportunity for Washington, D.C., metropolitan area students to benefit from your expertise and for you to interact with a pool of aspiring and gifted students.

As you will see from the enclosed schedule, we have assembled a dynamic and informative list of panelists and topics. We would consider it an honor to have you as our guest speaker. Your significant contribution would inspire and cultivate budding professionals.

We look forward to hearing from you soon and hope that you will join us at the Howard University School of Business Auditorium for an evening of intellectual exchange and raw creativity. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at 2601 16th St., N.W., #886, Washington, D.C. 20009 or (202) 865-9904.

Sincerely,

  
Mandinema R. Kumbula  
Coordinator

enc.: tentative schedule

**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR PUBLIC RELATIONS/MARKETING SYMPOSIUM ON  
APRIL 21, 1994 AT HOWARD UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AUDITORIUM**

Please pay special attention to the time slot that has been allotted for your discussion. Each presentation will be followed by a question and answer session. If you would like to alter your time slot, please contact me as soon as possible.

11:10a.m.-12:30p.m.

**Arnold Bellasco**

(V.P. of Sales and Marketing, Coca Cola)

**Mark Van Grack**

(Owner, African-American College Alliance)

**Topic:** "Brand Management Of the 1990's--  
How To Maintain The Competitive Edge."

12:40p.m.- 2:00p.m.

**Ricky Clemons**

(Director of Public Relations, Major  
League Baseball)

**Stedman Graham**

(Owner, S. Graham and Associates)

**Topic:** "Sports Public Relations And  
Marketing--Keeping Athletics Up To Pace."

2:10p.m.- 3:30p.m.

**Alan Hermes**

(Manager of Media Relations, Howard  
University)

**Unnia Pettus**

(Press Secretary for Mayor Kelly)

**Topic:** "Managing And Utilizing The Press  
In Times Of Stress--Crisis Public  
Relations."

3:40p.m.- 5:00p.m.

**Alexis P. Herman**

(Assistant to the President and Director  
of Public Liaison)

**Anna Perez**

(Former Press Secretary for Barbara Bush)

**Topic:** "Taking the Political World By  
Storm--The Role of Public Relations In The  
1996 United States Executive Elections."

**TENTATIVE SYMPOSIUM FOR PUBLIC RELATIONS/MARKETING SYMPOSIUM, pg 2**

5:10p.m.- 6:30p.m.

**Lori George**  
(Account Supervisor, Porter-Novelli)

**Lon Walls**  
(Owner, Walls and Associates)

**Topic:** "Realizing the Dream--Minorities  
Capitalize on Public Relations."

6:40p.m.- 8:00p.m.

**Sheila Eldridge**  
(Orchid Communications)

**Terri Williams**  
(The Terri Williams Agency)

**Topic:** "Entertainment Public Relations--  
Minority Women Break Into the Ol' Boy  
Network."

May 17, 1994

Mr. Danny Murray  
BellSouth  
1133 21st Street, NW./Suite 900  
Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Danny:

I am sorry I was not able to attend the  
reception in honor of your marriage to  
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These people?

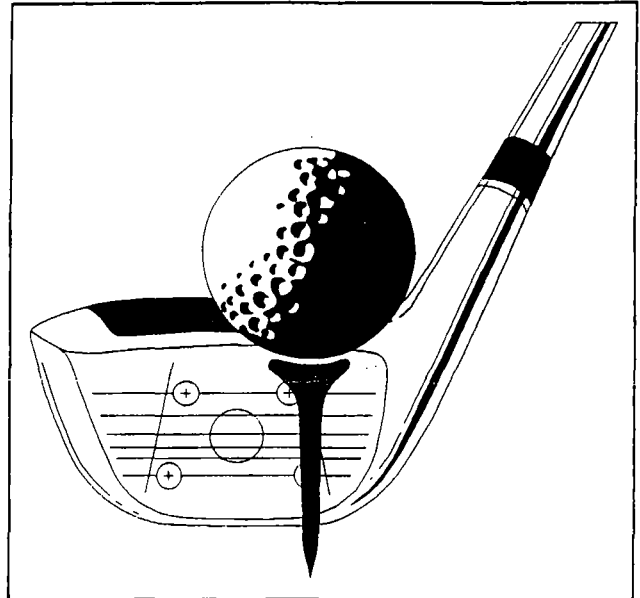
Please join us for a  
reception to tee-off the  
upcoming marriage of

Donna Pagano

and

Danny Murray

*congrats*



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Course: Marrocco's Restaurant, 1120 20th Street, N.W.  
Tee-time: Monday, April 25, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Caddies: Pepper English, Karen Possner & Polly Martin  
Green fees: Cash bar, hor d'oeuvres provided

*BellSouth  
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Please rsvp by April 20 to Polly Martin (202/463-4158)  
or Robin Brown (202/463-4169)

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Cmdr. Thomas R. Daniel, Jr., USN  
Office of the Assistant Secretary  
of Defense for Reserve Affairs  
OASD/RA (M&P)  
Pentagon, 2D517  
Washington, D.C. 20301-1500

Dear Cmdr. Daniel:

Thank you for your letter and the enclosures.  
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TO: Honorable Alexis Herman  
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FROM: Commander Tom Daniel, Jr.

MESSAGE:

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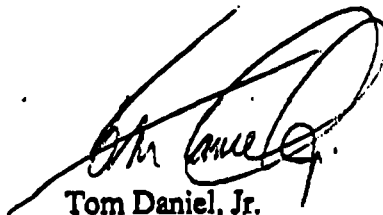
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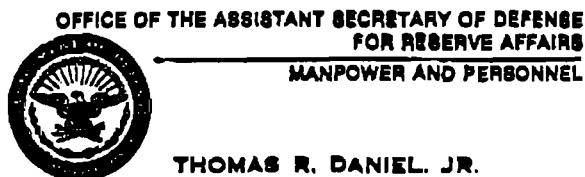
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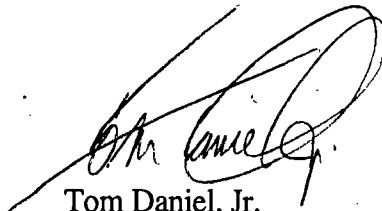
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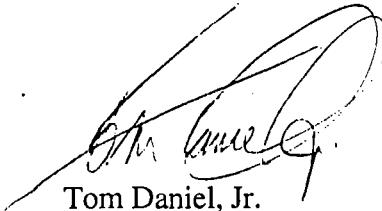
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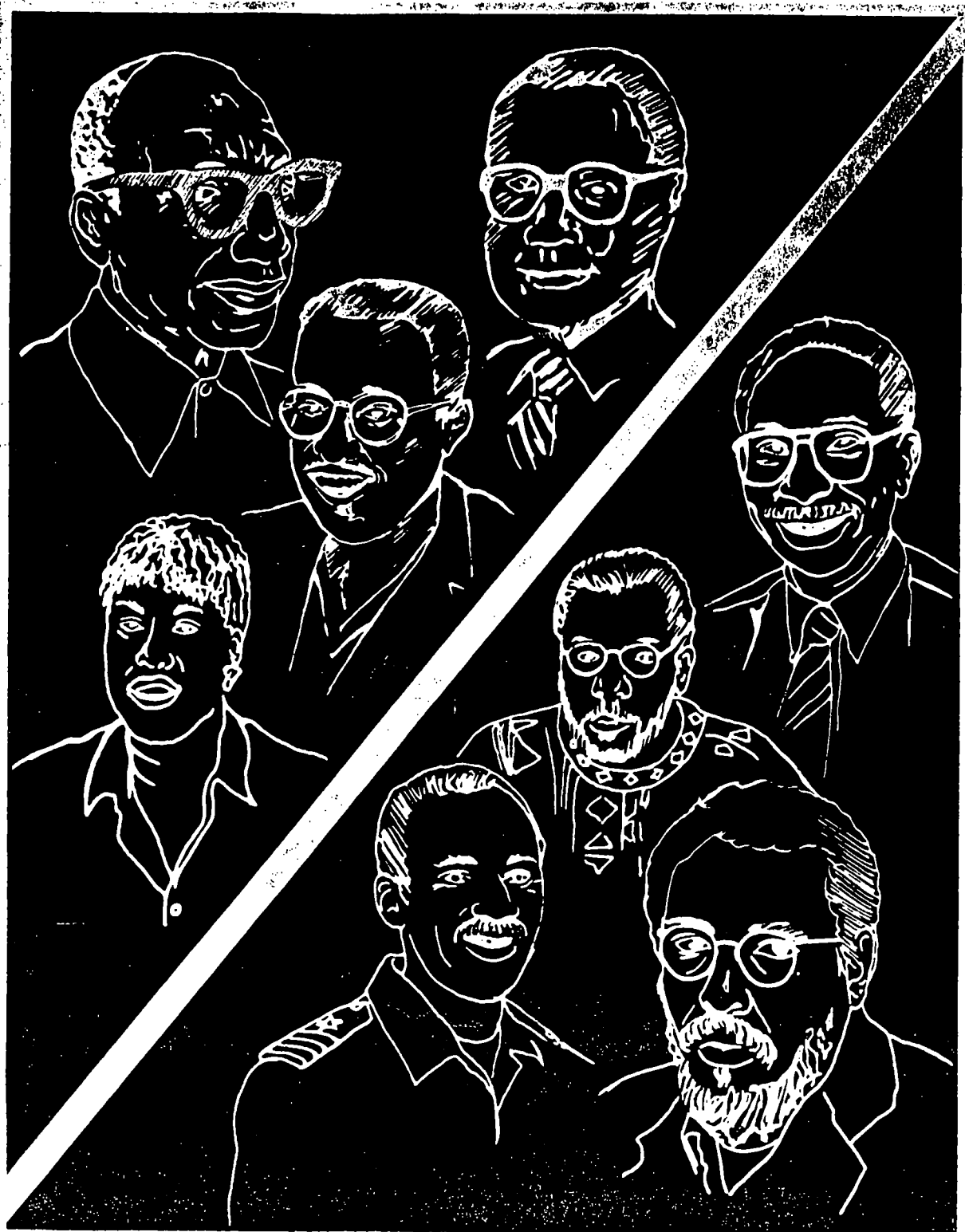
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# Xavier Gold

New Orleans, La.

Fall 1991





## Model under glass

At groundbreaking ceremonies last spring, Mark A. Fuller, Jr., chairman, Board of Trustees, Sister Marie McGuigan, S.B.S. president, and Dr. Norman C. Francis study model of Library Resource Center/Pharmacy Addition. Page 14.



## Blitzing the mayor

Commander Thomas R. Daniel, on a visit to New Orleans, following his duty in Desert Storm, was an enthusiastic ambassador, spreading the word there is real opportunity for young Blacks in the Navy. Mayor Sidney Barthelmy was blitzed. Page 21.



## Grads ponder future

What does the future hold, these thoughtful '91 graduates—Julie Johnson, Kimiyo Harris and Nicole Padmore—ask on commencement day. Other news and pictures concerning Graduation 1991, largest graduating class in the university's history, page 7-8.



## A major attraction

When the Music Department takes its vocal and instrumental ensembles on tour each year, it is the jazz combo that brings audiences to their feet, not just for the music, but also for

# Gold

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In Washington recently Commander Thomas R. Daniel, USN, received his commander shoulder boards from Steven Duncan, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Manpower and Personnel, along with the Navy Commendation Medal for services in his last position as Executive Officer aboard the U.S.S. *McInerney* FFG-8.

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## Commander Daniel moves up command: director, Reserve Manpower Analysis

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Just call him Xavier's man at the Pentagon.

That's where you'll find Thomas R. Daniel, Jr., Commander, United States Navy, who for the next three years will be serving as an assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, Manpower and Personnel.

He'll be picking up some management training and building contacts with other members of the armed services during his tour in Washington, D.C. It's sort of a mandatory stop for all officers aspiring a command at sea; which, of course, is the ultimate goal of any career sailor worth his salt. It's no different for Daniel, who has been in the Navy since his graduation from Xavier in 1976.

"The Navy, Army, Air Force and Marines all sent officers to joint duty at the Pentagon," said Daniel. "The intent, of course, is to ensure cooperation and coordination between the various services. Ob-

viously it's much easier to interact with people if you know them and can appreciate their concerns." It's that kind of teamwork that allowed the smooth interaction between naval, air and land forces in the recent war in the Persian Gulf.

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*Of Desert Storm, Daniel says, "Glad I was there, but glad I was there."*

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It'll be a new experience for me because for the first time I'll have to think in terms of how my decisions will effect all the armed forces, not just the Navy," he said.

Prior to his promotion this past May, Daniel was serving as Lieutenant Commander and executive officer on the guided missile frigate U.S.S. *McInerney*. In that post—one not unlike that of "Mr. Spock" of the *Star Trek* fame—he was second in command of the 227 enlisted



On his visit home following Desert Storm and prior to his accepting his new rank, Commander, and new position, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Manpower and Personnel, he was the Navy's Ambassador, trying to convince every one, including the president of his alma mater, that there are opportunities for Blacks in the Navy.

men and 23 other officers on board. A self-described "jack of all trades", one of his key functions was to act as a liaison between the ship's many department heads.

It was on the *McInerney* that Daniels got his first and only real taste of combat. He freely admits the experiences was one of those "glad I was there, but glad I was there" situations.

Unlike the thousands of regulars and reservists who were hurriedly sent off to the Gulf when Operation Desert Shield began, Daniel's tour in the Persian Gulf was part of normal deployment, something that had been planned a year in advance. The mission, however, was much different. The *McInerney* was assigned to provide naval escort and air protection for the U.S.S. *Wisconsin*, a battleship which in turn was assigned to providing naval gunfire support of Operation Desert Storm some three miles off the coast of Kuwait.

"That's pretty close in for a battleship," said Daniel. "Fortunately we had established air superiority in the Gulf very early, so there wasn't a lot of anti-air action; but believe me the tension was still there." There were also a lot of Iraqi mines, and the *McInerney* removed its share of them—a tricky operation in itself.

"Being in combat situation was a new experience, something I'm sure will help me when I become a commanding officer," he said. "But it was also something that we were well-trained for. It was real this time, but we were ready and able to do the job."

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What he remembers most about his three-month stint in the combat area was the awesome firepower of the battleship *Wisconsin* and the environmental damage caused by the Kuwait oil fires and the Iraqi destruction of the oil pipelines. "We were never closer than three miles from the coast, but even from there you could see the hundreds of oil fires and the permanent overcast that they caused," he said. "The oil and residue in the water from the spill made everything seem very eery."

Daniel, who was born in Chicago, attended St. Augustine High School in New

Orleans and then Xavier. He attended Officer Candidate School following his graduation.

Daniel rapidly moved up the chain of command, serving as operations officer on five different vessels (the U.S.S. Nimitz, Spiegel Grove, Samuel Morison, Biddle and McInerney). An endless myriad of naval maneuvers and operations have taken him to the wide open sea (the Mediterranean Sea, North and South Atlantic Oceans, Indian Ocean) as well as some more exotic areas as the fjords of Norway and the Black Sea bordering the Soviet Union and Turkey.

His navy billets have ranged from the commonplace (assistant professor of naval science at L.S.U. and Southern), to the instructional (Surface Warfare School, Armed Forces Staff College), to the sublime (NATO exercises, Amphibious Air Cushion Landing Craft testing evaluations, anti-air warfare missile projects, and freedom of navigation operations).

Daniel, who is married with two children, holds a M.A. degree in Personnel Management from Central Michigan.

One aspect of the Navy life Daniel doesn't like is the lack of fellow black officers. It's a situation that he is anxious to correct.

"There was a time when the armed services—especially the Navy—offered little opportunity for advancement for Blacks," he admitted. "And that's what a lot of blacks, especially parents, remember."

"That is far from the truth now, but the misconception remains," he said. "It's one of those self-fulfilling prophecies."

Prior to his billet in Washington, Daniel spent three weeks here in New Orleans doing his part to get that message across to Black youth under a Navy program which encourages young Black officers to visit their hometown communities. "I'm not so

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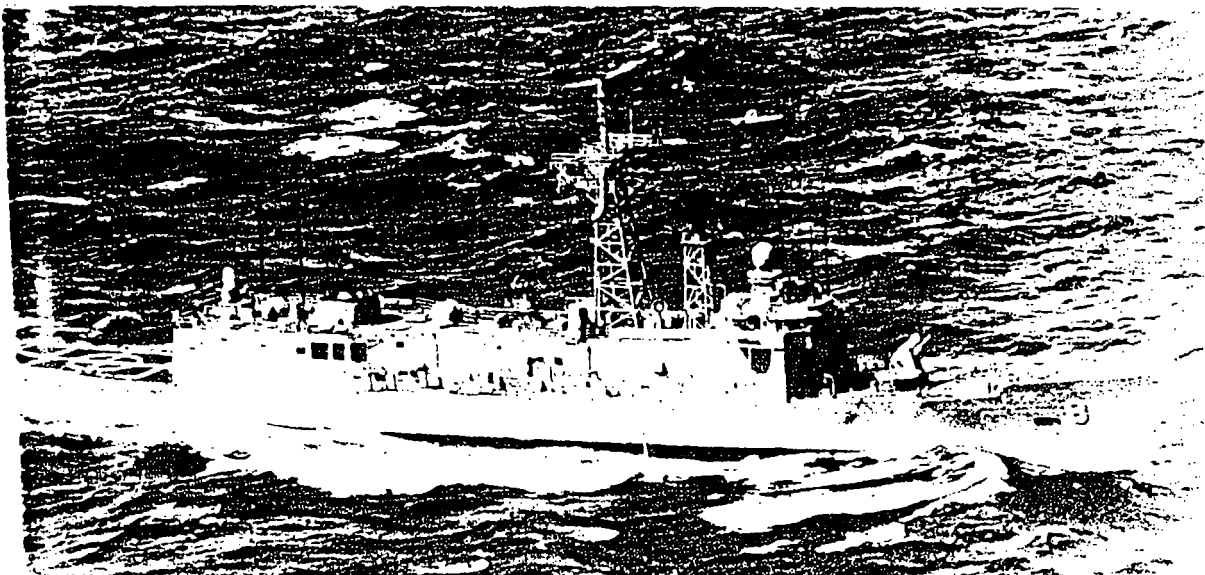
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I've had a chance to travel all over the world. I've had my education paid for, and I've received the best in leadership and technological training," said Daniel. "Certainly the Navy isn't for everyone, but I can personally attest to the fact that it has provided me with many opportunities that I probably would not have had otherwise."

"It never hurts to know all of your options," he said.

—Richard Tucker



U.S.S. McInerney, guided missile frigate, on which the then Lieutenant Commander Thomas Daniel served as executive officer during Operation Desert Storm.

Commander Thomas R. Daniel, Jr. U.S. Navy  
Assistant Director for Manpower  
Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense

Chronology of key former assignments:

- First Division Officer, USS NIMITZ (CVN-68), 1977-1980.
- Operations Officer USS SPIEGEL GROVE (LSD-32), 1980-82.
- Assistant Professor of Naval Science at Louisiana State & Southern University, 1982-84
- Operations Officer, USS SAMUEL ELIOT MORISON (FFG-13), 1985-87.
- Operations Officer, USS BIDDLE (CG-34), 1987-88.
- Student, Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Virginia, 1989.
- Executive Officer, USS McINERNEY (FFG-8), 1989-1991.
- Military Assistant for the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs & the Department of Defense Counter Drug Coordinator, 1991-92.

Commander Thomas R. Daniel, Jr., a native of Chicago, Illinois, earned his bachelor degree in Liberal Arts at Xavier University of Louisiana, New Orleans, in 1976. He subsequently earned a Masters of Arts degree in Personnel Management from Central Michigan University in 1983. He entered the Navy in 1976 and was commissioned as an Ensign through the Officer Candidate School program.

One of the many highlights of his Naval career, was combat service as USS McINERNEY's executive officer. The guided missile frigate was deployed to the Persian Gulf in support of Operation Desert Shield/Storm. Commander Daniel has been slated as the Prospective Commanding Officer of USS STEPHEN W. GROVES FFG-29, [September 1996].

Commander Daniel's awards and decorations include the Navy Commendation Medal, the Navy Achievement Medal, the Combat Action Ribbon, the Joint Service Commendation Ribbon, the Navy Unit Commendation (two awards), the Navy Meritorious Unit Ribbon, the Battle "E" (two awards), the Navy Expeditionary Medal, the National Defense Medal, the Southwest Asian Ribbon, the Sea Service Ribbon (four awards), the Office of the Secretary of Defense Identification Badge, and the Kuwait Liberation Ribbon. Commander Daniel is also a Navy Federal Executive Fellowship selectee and a life member of the Surface Navy Association.

He is married to the former Oliver Kacelia Miller of Drew, Mississippi. They have a teenage daughter, Danika, and a pre-teen son Tom III. Commander Daniel's father Thomas Raymond Daniel, Sr., served as a Ship's Cook between 1942-1946 during World War II aboard USS LST 1073.

**Member of U.S. Naval Institute since 1976.** Published comments in *Proceedings*, "Expansion of the Regular Membership Category" see p. 20, March 1993 and "When Thirteen Turned Golden" see p. 22, May 1993. APRIL 1994

June 6, 1994

Mary Burke Washington  
408 T Street, NW.  
Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Mary:

Thank you for your letter. I enjoyed reading all the news. Congratulations to you and Walter on your marriage. I wish you and Walter many of God's blessings.

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June 6, 1994

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Mary Burke Washington  
408 T Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20001

April 3, 1994

Dear Alex —

I hope you had a lovely Easter and that you're well on the mend from your several ice mishaps during this past terrible winter!!

My thoughts were with you because I broke a leg a year and a half ago and everything that had been simple to achieve became so onerous.

Walter Washington and I were married on March 17<sup>th</sup>. He had been at Howard University Hospital for 6 months but is now home and doing quite well. It was a terrible fall and winter. I'm so looking forward to a wonderful Spring.

PHOTOCOPY  
PRESERVATION

Today (Easter) we had my sister  
and brother-in-law for dinner —  
Doug & Maude Browne. Maude's  
best friend who grew up with him  
here in D.C. is Dr. Albert  
Gaskers. Al is the Director  
of Pediatric Services for the City  
of Philadelphia. Recently when  
Mrs. Clinton was in Philadelphia  
Al had this wonderful picture  
taken with her. He would  
love to have a "non-machine"  
autograph. Al's mother & dad  
still live here and both of them  
are almost 100 years old. He'd  
love to show them his picture  
with Mrs. Clinton's autograph.  
I hope you'll accomplish  
this for me! It's Dr. Albert  
Gaskers. You can have it sent  
back to me at the address on  
the other side. Thanks a million.  
Here's to a great Spring and I  
hope to see you soon. Fondly, Mary

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National Minority AIDS Council



# Our Place at the Table

The National Meeting



## Congressional Dinner

Russell Senate Caucus Room  
Russell Senate Office Building



## Public Policy Conference

Hall of States Building  
Capitol Hill

April 28-29, 1994

Washington, DC

May 17, 1994

Joseph E. Lowery, President  
Southern Christian Leadership Conference  
334 Auburn Ave., NE.  
Atlanta, GA 30312

Dear Dr. Lowery:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter,  
to the President urging him to appoint an African -  
American or Hispanic to the Supreme Court. Your  
recommendations are very much appreciated.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Alexis M. Herman  
Assistant to the President and  
Director of Public Liaison

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*President*  
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April 13, 1994

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(202) 456-2461

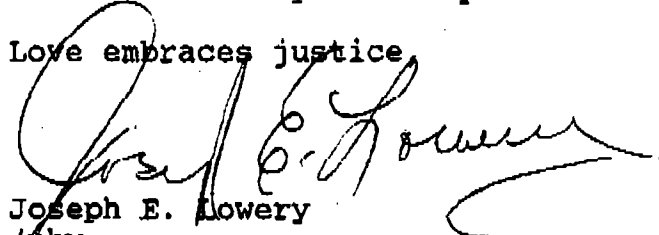
The Honorable William Clinton  
President  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

May I respectfully urge you to appoint an Afro-American or Hispanic to the U. S. Supreme Court. Never in history has our highest court included a woman of color and such an appointment would clearly delineate your strong commitment to a representative Court. May I respectfully submit the following names for your consideration:

First: Amalyia Kearse - New York  
Second: Vilma Martinez Singer - Los Angeles  
Third: Drew Days  
Fourth: V. V. Clemmons - Alabama  
Fifth: Myron Thompson - Alabama

Love embraces justice



Joseph E. Lowery  
/nbw

cc: Ms. Alexis Herman VIA FAX: (202) 456-6218

Congressman John Lewis VIA FAX: (202) 225-0351

Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney VIA FAX: (202) 226-0691

Mr. Mack McLarty VIA FAX: (202) 456-2464



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TO:

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*The White House*

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June 6, 1994

Adrienne Arsht Feldman, Chairman  
Eve Stillman  
10608 Stapleford Hall Drive  
Potomac, Maryland 20854

Dear Adrienne:

The ivy plant is lovely and unique. It  
sits on the coffee table in my office.

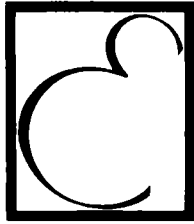
Thank you for thinking of me and for  
sending the plant from a C200 member.  
How appropriate!

With very best wishes,

Sincerely,

Alexis M.Herman  
Assistant to the President and  
Director of Public Liaison

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EVE STILLMAN

ADRIENNE ARSHT FELDMAN  
CHAIRMAN

May 23, 1994

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The Honorable Alexis Herman  
Assistant to the President  
Director of Office of Public Liaison  
Old Executive Office Building  
Room 122  
Washington, DC 20500

*plant*

Dear Alexis:

Thank you for organizing such a bang-up line-up of speakers for The Committee of 200 Spring Conference. You chose the perfect group for the White House Briefing and the feedback has really proven it a ten-strike. I really appreciate your willingness to contribute your valuable time -- you couldn't have done a better job.

I am sending you a small (therefore legal) token of my appreciation for your important role in the conference. The gift has been ordered from Calyx & Corolla, a company founded and owned by C200 member Ruth M. Owades. Previously she created the preeminent gardening catalogue, Gardener's Eden, which she later sold to Williams Sonoma.

Thanks again for all you did to make the conference a smashing success.

Sincerely,

*Adrienne*

May 24, 1994

Ms. Ruth Ann Skaff  
Director of Special Projects  
St. Jude Children's Research Hospital  
One St. Jude Place Building  
P.O. Box 3704  
Memphis, TN 38173-0704

Dear Ruth:

Thank you for sharing the article on Mark Dickey. He is a remarkable young man and I am glad to know that he an ALSAC intern assigned to your staff.

When I am your way, I will let you know. I will take you up on a tour of ALSAC.

Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

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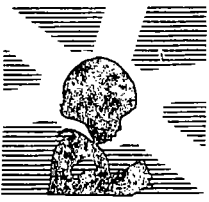
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Danny Thomas, Founder

April 25, 1994

Ms. Alexis M. Herman  
Assistant to the President and  
Director of Public Liaison  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

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Dear Alexis:

I'd like to share an extraordinary success story with you. It's about a brave young man named Mark Dickey who came to St. Jude when he was just two years old, fighting for his life against a terrible cancer called Wilms' Tumor.

You can read about Mark's ordeal on page 2 of Partners in Hope, and I want you to know, it has a happy ending.

I'm proud to tell you that today, Mark is 26 years old, and he's serving as an ALSAC intern to me this semester.

In a very real sense, he's giving something back to the place that saved his life.

This is just one of the remarkable stories you'll find in this issue of Partners in Hope. Please spend some time with it, because although you might not be able to come to St. Jude in person, we can bring the heartbeat of the hospital to you in this newsletter.

And know that your support, compassion and concern will help us end these horrible stories of childhood cancer, so that one day children like Mark won't have to suffer so terribly.

On behalf of our precious children, their parents and our staff, thank you again.

Sincerely,

Ruth Ann Skaff  
Director of Special Projects

Enclosure

Please come to visit the  
next time you're in the  
area. It would be a real  
treat to see you, Alexis.  
Regards,  
Ruth

**THE WHITE HOUSE**

**WASHINGTON**

Douglas J. Pride, Esq.  
5143 Cedar Drive  
Columbus, OH 43232

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