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Mr Joe Carney
22 W 615 Elmwood Dr
Glen Ellyn IL 60137-6958

Dec. 9, 1997

Sandra Thurman, Director
Off. of Nat. AIDS Policy
White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

MZ Thurman

There was an article about you in the Chicago Tribune, 12/7/97, by Science Writer Ron Kotulak. It didn't wash.

If there was a real AIDS epidemic, the government would have taken the basic steps of contact tracing and isolation. They would be pushing abstinence, which is 100% effective, rather than condoms, which approach 100% ineffectiveness. This, of course, in light of a continuing and steady 40,000 new HIV infections each year (another government lie, of course).

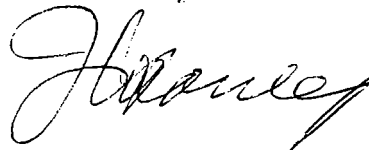
I have read that the homosexual community wears the HIV Positive as a red badge of courage, so they obviously are not worried.

Do you think your wild guess about the number of deaths in the U.S. of AIDS as between "650,000 and 900,000" inspires any confidence? Why not say between 1 and 1 million when two people have died?

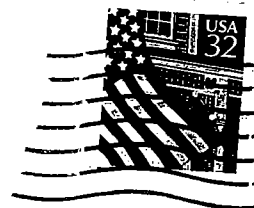
At first I would read weekly in the Trib of prominent young people who had died of AIDS. But, no one has died of AIDS in a long, long time, so I know the "problem" is over - if there ever was one!

I expect this is just another boondoggle to spend taxpayer money, a crooked rip-off cooked up by some in the condom industry and some in the government!

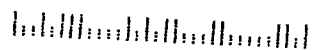
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Sandra Thurman, Director
Off. of Nat. AIDS Policy
White House
Washington, D.C. 20500



United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

November 7, 1997

Ms. Sandra Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Sandra,

First, I want to thank you again on behalf of Senator Roth for taking the time from your busy schedule to come to Delaware to speak at the HIV Consortium conference on AIDS. I know the Consortium was absolutely thrilled to have you as their featured speaker and feel your contribution was essential to the overall success of the two-day conference.

Secondly, I wanted to follow up with you to give you an official invitation to come back to Delaware and enjoy many of our beautiful and historically significant sites. I have taken the liberty of sending you several brochures on some of our more interesting attractions. A few of our notable sites actually are located just across the line in Pennsylvania, but we claim them for our own. I'm sure you will find several activities that could fill a day, a weekend or even longer! I would recommend you consider the Brandywine River Museum, Winterthur and Longwood Gardens. Also, the tiny town of New Castle is delightful to visit and is still "undiscovered" for the most part.

As far as accommodations, it's hard to top the Hotel DuPont, as I think you know. However, there is also a Sheraton and Marriott Courtyard which are both very nice. I would be happy to follow up with addition information when you have an opportunity to plan a trip. Christmas at Longwood Gardens is beautiful, but so is Spring.

I enjoyed the opportunity to meet you and hope you will let me know if you decide to visit.

Sincerely,



Verna W. Hensley
New Castle County Director
Office of Senator William V. Roth, Jr.

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Dear Madam Thurman, Dec. 9, 1997

My name is [REDACTED] (b)(6) and I am an inmate here at Holman Unit. I am classified as a unique genius of the highest order of theology, philosophy, and science, and by the inquiries of two and a half decades of research in the sciences; I am an inventing and a discovering scientist of sciences.

Among a multitude of invaluable discoveries, of inventions and progressions, out of my research of the sciences, I discovered a relativistic process of making antidotes for any of the species of microbes.

This process will make an antidote for the HIV virus, and any of the microbial species.

I would ~~very~~ thankfully appreciate your financial support as I expect

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to prosecute the patent application
of this process.

The following is a reference to
the classification of my intelligence
and a reference to this project
of my operator:

Deputy warden Jerry Ferrell

Phone (334) 368-8317

Holman Unit, Holman 3700

Almore, AL 36503-3700

With the very best of all my good
wishes for your enjoyment of
the merits of the holiday
season, I am

Yours very cordially,

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Addressed To

Thurman, Sandra

Sender's Organization

UNICEF

Sender's Street1

Sender's Street2

Sender's City

Sender's State

Sender's Zip

Subject

Best wishes on your apptment

☐ Response Needed?

Response Type

thanks

Response Date

Responder ID

Responder Name

Action Promised

Action Complet

Action Date

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*Frankie
Helen Brown
863 8065*



United Nations Children's Fund
Fonds des Nations Unies pour l'enfance
Fondo de las Naciones Unidas para la Infancia

3 United Nations Plaza
New York, New York 10017
212-326-7000
Telex: 175989

2 December 1997

Dear Sandy,

While on Thanksgiving holiday in Atlanta I couldn't miss your fabulous profile in the Atlanta Constitution.

Congratulations on your directorship of the White House Office on National AIDS Policy — a daunting job for our times. Now for a true test of memory — we meet in Atlanta quite a few years ago through the Carter Center.

I'm still working the television beat at UNICEF. Actually, we are just completing a series of TV features with Reuters about children and AIDS. Most are now in house and if you would like to see them please let me know.

Did you have the chance to meet Carol Bellamy at the Global Forum? I gather she spoke shortly after you.

All the best in your new appointment.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bill Hetzer".

Bill Hetzer
Chief, Broadcasting and
Electronic Communication

Ms. Sandy Thurman
Office of National AIDS Policy
808 17th Street NW
Suit 820
Washington, DC 20006

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

12-5-87
DATE

MEMORANDUM

FOR:

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FROM:

SUE J. SMITH *SJS*
DIRECTOR, AGENCY LIAISON

SUBJECT:

REFERRAL OF CASEWORK

I am forwarding the attached letter to your office for appropriate action. Please send us a copy of your written response or your telephone report along with the writer's original correspondence and envelope to the following address:

Ms. Sue J. Smith
Director, Agency Liaison
Room 6, OEOB
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20502

If you have any questions, call my office at 202/456-7486.

Thank you for your help.

Contact David Harvey @ APC.

Ask him to get one of his
staff to send over some info to
US to forward to these
women (with a note from Sandy
regarding the info we get)

off
JAN 1980

102 Gay Street
Pottsville, Pennsylvania
18252
(D. McGuinness)

56 Noble Street
Apt. 1
Pittsboro, Pennsylvania
19530
(S. Slick)

Dear President Clinton,

Our names are Shannon Slick and Deborah McGuinness. We are students at Pittsboro University in Pittsboro, Pennsylvania. We are majoring in Elementary Education / Early Childhood Education.

We are very interested in receiving information about children with AIDS in the United States. We're extremely interested in knowing what the White House is doing for these children: promoting education for parents and teachers, providing health care, finding a cure for AIDS, etc... We're also interested in knowing if this topic was addressed at the White House Convention?

Thank you for your time on this important issue. We will be awaiting your response.

Sincerely,
Deborah McGuinness
Shannon Slick

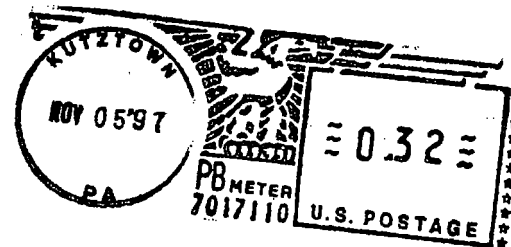
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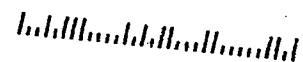
of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education

P.O. Box 730

Kutztown, Pennsylvania 19530-0730



President Bill Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500



T. Kim
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Terry Kim
15272 Moulins Circle
Irvine CA, 92604

November 2, 1997

President Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington D.C. 20500

Dear President Clinton,

Greetings. My name is Terry Kim and I am currently a junior enrolled at Woodbridge High school in Irvine, California. I am writing to you in regards to the health care issue in the United States. In some recent articles, the issue of HIV/AIDS has been an important topic that I think should be discussed and thoroughly perused. One article in particular dealt with the "privacy law" that restricted officials from releasing the names of those individuals that tested HIV positive. The justification for this law was that "concern for privacy is a holy concern." The moral dilemma, of whether it is moral or not to infringe upon one's privacy in order to prevent the spread of HIV, arouses a state quandary. I would like to know your opinions on this matter and where you place your viewpoints in regard to this law. I thank you for your time and your concern.

Sincerely,

T. Kim
Terry Kim

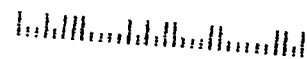
*Ask Todd - I think this was
probably a school assignment -
Not sure if there is a white
House statement or not... that
would be the best starting point*

'HIV Surveillance'

Terry Kim
15272 Maulins Circle
Irvine CA, 92604

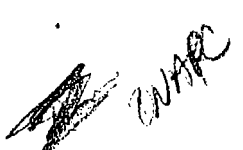


President Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington D.C. 20500



Ask Todd —

Maybe take some info
from the AMP statement on
needles —


November 6, 1997

President Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington DC 20500

The Honorable Bill Clinton,

Exchanging sterile needles for used ones stops the spread of HIV and AIDS. Researchers have proven that needle exchange does *not* increase drug use. Changes are urgently needed at all levels of government to permit and fund needle exchange programs.

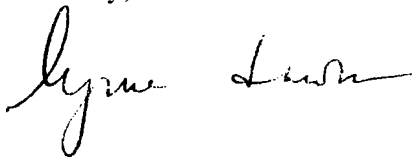
A needle exchange program provides clean syringes to intravenous drug users who turn in their dirty needles. This reduces needle sharing by 80%, which in turn reduces new HIV infections by 33%, without increasing the number of new drug addicts or the frequency of drug use. Of the 573,000 reported AIDS cases in the U.S., 32% overall were linked to injected drugs. Needles were the source of AIDS for 90% of the cases among women and 59% of pediatric AIDS cases could be traced back to injection drug use by their mothers.

There are currently 117 needle exchange programs in 72 cities in America, but there is a ban on federal funding for these programs and ten states, including California, still consider these programs to be a criminal activity. A Kaiser Family Foundation survey indicates 66% of the public approves of such programs, and even the American Bar Association supports the idea.

Congress needs to lift the ban on federal funding for needle exchanges before more lives are needlessly put at risk. It is unforgivable for officials to play politics while growing numbers of Americans become infected with a fatal virus. The devastating financial burden AIDS thrusts on all levels of government gives them a financial duty to support needle exchange. The miserable chain of human suffering caused by AIDS demands officials support needle exchange as a moral imperative.

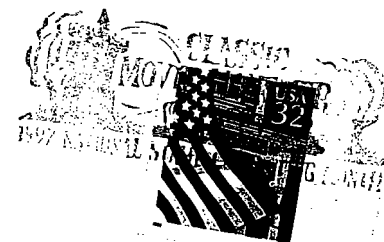
Take a stand in support of public health and AIDS reduction. Support needle exchange. I look forward to hearing of your actions regarding this issue.

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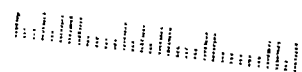


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November 9, 1997
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President and Mrs. Clinton
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C. 20050

Dear President & Mrs. Clinton -

I wanted to thank you for your help so far with my New York University PASS plan - I am interning at CBS NEWS in the "Planning & Investigative" Unit, newly formed to service the various news shows, including 60 MINUTES. May I wish the First Lady belated 50th birthday wishes? If I may say so, you looked so together in a photograph that appeared that Saturday when your daughter came home. I grew up very near Stanford, and my Dad designed spy satellites (we didn't know it then) for the U.S. down the road from the campus, which is the world's most beautiful, but I'm prejudiced.

Is there anything you can do to help me keep in school and in home? I'm attaching a few papers including a letter faxed Friday to the acting Commissioner of Social Security. I know exemptions to policy for Aid To Continue are made on a contingent basis. Does my AIDS diagnosis from 1992 qualify as such? With my school and interning schedule full (CBS does not even provide Per diem) - to get this Internship I had to do it by first enrolling in the N.Y.U. course for it and now I travel to West 57th and 11th Avenue and am learning from the pros. How can \$632.00 Social Security even begin to pay for N.Y.U. and \$750.00 New York City rent?

Added to the fact that since my study medicine from San Francisco General ran out in August of 1997, I now must pay for it myself since it isn't government approved (Dr. Jeff Burack's 1992 SF General Study of the combination of the Chinese medicine's 'Clear Heat' & 'Enhance' - which incidentally is being continued in Switzerland.)

The whole thing is coming to either a good or bad end very quickly, and I can't express the anxiety of managing School, Health and lack of School money. Thank you both for your interest and time.

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Re: (b)(6)

November 6, 1997

The Honorable John Callahan
Acting Commissioner - Social Security Administration
1825 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Room 714
Washington, D.C. 20009

Dear Mr. Callahan;

Please forgive my handwritten note of 11/4/97. I am writing you regarding my "Aid to Continue" - which if you review the facts of my case, has been thwarted by a man I've only met once in my life - Mr. D. Gale of the Astoria, Queens SSI unit. His repeated attempts to obscure the matter of continuing PASS for my co-certificate in BROADCASTING @ New York University is costing me my apartment.

As a person with an AIDS diagnosis, I've succeeded in finishing my JOURNALISM program at the University and as I write to you now, I am involved in an Internship that is unpaid, at CBS NEWS.

N.Y.U./SCE has no "Broadcast Journalism" program at New York University' certificate programs. As it has been written to the Astoria office from several NYU faculty, I am a successful student trying to complete this regimen and return to work on a 25-30 hour week to start.

Unfortunately in doing so, I have incurred the enmity of the aforementioned Mr. Gale and now since my school aid has been cutoff, I had to use September's rent money to stay in school and obtain this valuable internship.

With the help of Congressman Tom Manton's office, I was assured that my \$512.00 would continue until my fair hearing - this has not been so despite their hard work with Mr. Gale's supervisor Ms. D'Amato.

Would this be the irony of my losing out at CBS NEWS and becoming homeless at the same time - after working so hard (with your Administration's help, so far) to get back into health and work? Please, I desperately need your help, thank you.

[002b]

(b)(6)

L / T Index No.	
CIVIL COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF QUEENS HOUSING PART	
Zofia Makiej Petitioner - Landlord - against - Gregory Lake Respondent - Tenant 31-61 44th Street Apt. 2-F Astoria NY 11103 Address "JOHN AND JANE DOE" Respondent - Undertenant Amount Claimed \$1,500.00	
PETITION – NON PAYMENT DWELLING	
Notice of Petition served on _____ 19__ Notice of Petition returned on _____ 19__ Notice of Petition issued on _____ 19__ Tenant appears on _____ 19__ but fails to answer. Tenant answers on _____ 19__ Answer is _____ _____ Set for trial on _____ 19__ Landlord notified on _____ 19__ Tenant notified on _____ 19__ Sufficiency of answer referred to Court on _____ 19__ Raises _____ issue. _____ Judge	
Attorneys for Petitioner PAPPAS and PAPPAS 33-20 Broadway Astoria, New York 11106 (718) 545-3614	

THE PETITION OF Zofia Makiej

Alleges, upon information and belief:

1. Petitioner is the landlord and owner of the premises.
 2. Respondent(s) Gregory Lake is (are) tenant(s) in possession of said premises pursuant to written rental agreement made heretofore wherein respondent promised to pay to landlord as rent \$750.00 each month in advance on the Fifth day of each month.
 3. Respondent(s) "John and Jane Doe" are the undertenant(s) of the aforesaid respondent.
 4. The premises from which removal is sought are described as follows:
ALL ROOMS Apt. 2-F in building known as 31-61 44th Street 2nd Floor, Astoria NY 11103 situated within the territorial jurisdiction of the Civil Court of the City of New York, County of QUEENS.
 5. Pursuant to said agreement there was due from respondent tenant(s), the sum of \$1,500.00 in rent and additional rent: Sept.: \$750.00; Oct.: \$750.00 plus reasonable attorney's fees.
 6. ☒ The apartment is subject to the Rent Stabilization Law of 1969, as amended, or Rent Control Law; The rent does not exceed the lawfully permitted rent; All rents and services are registered with the D.H.C.R.
☐ The apartment is not subject to Rent Stabilization or Rent Control because the apartment is exempt or the premises contain fewer than six units.
 7. Said rent has been demanded from the tenant(s) since it became due.
 8. Respondents have defaulted in the payments thereof and continue in possession of premises without permission after said default.
 9. ☐ The premises are not a multiple dwelling.
☒ The premises are a multiple dwelling and pursuant to the Housing Maintenance Code Article 41 there is a currently effective statement on file with the Office of Code Enforcement which designates the managing agent named below, a natural person over 21 years of age, to be in control of and responsible for the maintenance and operation of the dwelling.
 Multiple Dwelling No. 405121
 Agent: Zofia Makiej 31-61 44th Street, Astoria, N.Y. 11103
- WHEREFORE, Petitioner requests a final judgment against respondent(s) for the rent demanded herein, awarding possession of the premises to petitioner landlord, and directing the issuance of a warrant to remove respondent(s) from possession of the premises with costs and disbursements of this proceeding.

Dated: 10/9/97

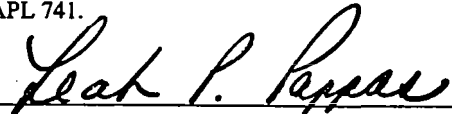
STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF QUEENS

The undersigned affirms under penalty of perjury:

That she is one of the attorneys for the Petitioner; that she has read the foregoing petition and knows the contents thereof; that the same are true to her own knowledge except as stated to be upon information and belief; and as to those matters she believes them to be true. The grounds of deponent's belief as to all matters not stated upon deponent's knowledge are as follows: statements and facts provided by petitioner, its agents and/or employees and contained in the file in the attorney's office.

This verification is made pursuant to the provisions of RPAPL 741.

Dated: 10/9/97


 _____, Leah P. Pappas, Esq.



SOCIAL SECURITY

Office of the General Counsel

October 22, 1997

Mr. Gregory G. Lake
31-61 44th Street #2F
Astoria, New York 11103

Re: Gregory G. Lake v. Social Security Administration
Docket Number 02-97-05

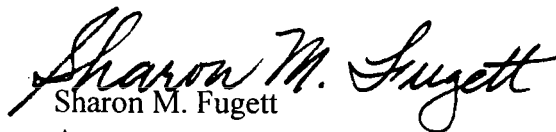
Dear Mr. Lake:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that on October 21, 1997, the Office of the General Counsel received your civil rights complaint. In your complaint, you allege misconduct and by an employee of the Social Security Administration (SSA). Further, you also allege that the SSA and an employee of the SSA discriminated against you while executing their responsibility to administer your Plan for Achieving Self Support (PASS) case under the Social Security Act. Please be advised that the Office of the General Counsel has been delegated the responsibility of processing complaints of discrimination based on disability, race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion or retaliation regarding programs and activities administered by the Social Security Administration.

Your complaint has been assigned to the New York regional office of the Office of the General Counsel for processing. Therefore, all future inquiries should be addressed to:

Barbara L. Spivak
Regional Chief Counsel
Social Security Administration
Office of the General Counsel, Region II
26 Federal Plaza
Room 3904
New York, New York 10278

Sincerely,


Sharon M. Fugett

Attorney
Office of the General Counsel

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 4, 1997

Mr. Gregory Lake
31-61 44th Street
Astoria, New York 11103

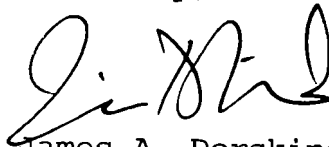
Dear Mr. Lake:

Thank you so much for your letter. President Clinton greatly appreciates the trust and confidence you have shown in him by writing.

To ensure that your concerns are addressed, I am forwarding your letter to the Social Security Administration for review and any appropriate action. Please bear in mind that it may take some time to look thoroughly into the issues you have raised. Should you wish to contact the Social Security Administration directly, you may write to: Social Security Administration, Office of Public Inquiries, Baltimore, Maryland 21235.

Many thanks for your patience.

Sincerely,

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James A. Dorskind
Special Assistant to the President
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THOMAS J. MANTON
7TH DISTRICT, NEW YORK

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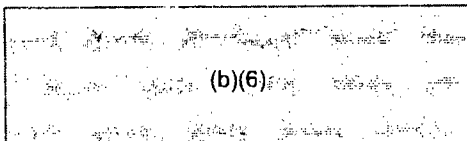
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Mr. William Edwards
Social Security Administration
Office of Hearings and Appeals
5107 Leesburg Pike
Falls Church, Virginia 22041-3255



[002 c]

Dear Mr. Edwards:

I am writing on behalf of my constituent (b)(6)
(b)(6) who is having difficulty with regard to his
Supplemental Security Income benefits.

(b)(6) was receiving benefits from the Social Security
Administration through the Plan for Achieving Self-Support, or
the P.A.S.S. Program. Through this program (b)(6) has been
pursuing a degree in Broadcast Journalism at New York University.
(b)(6) P.A.S.S. applications were denied on the
reconsideration level and he has filed for fair hearings for both
applications. Without these benefits, (b)(6) will be unable to
complete his degree program and achieve the goal stated in his
original P.A.S.S.

Please contact my Queens District Office with any
information regarding (b)(6) claim. Thank you for your
courtesy and cooperation in this important matter.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Manton
Thomas J. Manton
Member of Congress

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PLEASE RESPOND TO THE ADDRESS INDICATED ABOVE



CBS Inc., 51 West 52 Street
New York, New York 10019
(212) 975-4321

10/14/97

Dear: Greg

CONGRATULATIONS and welcome to the CBS News Internship Program for the fall semester.

We at CBS News are extremely proud of the internship program and the many fine young men and women who have participated in it.

I look forward to working with you during your internship at CBS and making your participation a most enjoyable and rewarding experience.

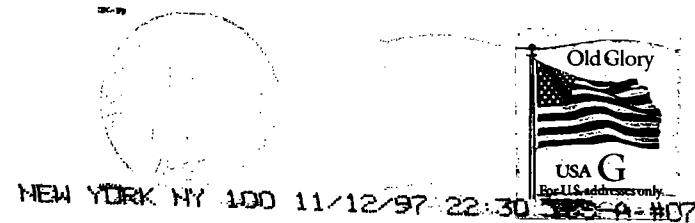
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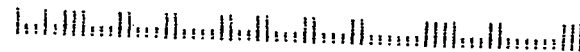
Eldra R. Gillman
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CBS News

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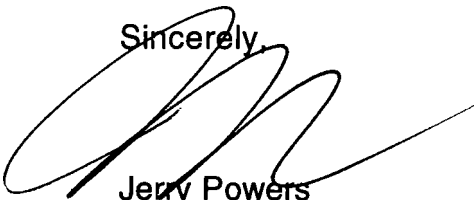
Dear Sandra:

It was nice meeting you in Washington this past weekend with Ron Saleh. Thank you so much for letting us come by your home. Enclosed please find the latest issue of ***Ocean Drive*** magazine. I have placed you on our complimentary mailing list and you should be receiving future issues of ***Ocean Drive*** magazine in the mail each month.

If you are ever in Miami, please do not hesitate to call so we can get together.

Keep up the great work.

Sincerely,



Jerry Powers
Publisher

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December 1, 1997

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Dear Friend:

We are pleased to welcome Trish Moylan Torruella, MPH as Mothers' Voices Executive Director. Ms. Torruella brings to Mothers' Voices an admirable background in public health program development in community based settings. Her experience as a staunch advocate for HIV/AIDS, sexuality education, and reproductive health issues, along with her passion and personal commitment, are valuable assets she brings to her new role.

Ms. Torruella first began working with Mothers' Voices this past spring when she acted as lead facilitator of and bilingual spokesperson for the premier Mothers' Voices Institute at The United States Conference on AIDS '97. She is working closely with former E.D. Ann Kurth to prioritize Mothers' Voices advocacy and education initiatives and to ensure a smooth transition in national leadership.

Ms. Torruella has been working with young people, their families, service and community providers for more than twenty years. As Program Officer of the Robin Hood Foundation, she managed the Foundation's portfolio of thirty youth programs, providing management and technical assistance to grantee organizations. Before joining the Robin Hood Foundation, Ms. Torruella was appointed the first Education Vice President of Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA), after serving as Director of Education since 1989. In that capacity, she provided leadership and resources to 178 Planned Parenthood affiliates nationwide.

Ms. Torruella is currently on the faculty of New York University's Wagner School of Public Service, and is a member of the Board of Directors of SIECUS (the Sexuality Information and Educational Council of the U.S.). She is listed in the 1995 Gale Research Directory of Notable Hispanic American Women.

As an organization and a national movement, we are fortunate to have Ms. Torruella join Mothers' Voices. We encourage you all to welcome her at this exciting juncture of our organization's growth. We look forward to working together and to building upon our collaborative efforts.

Sincerely,



Suzanne Benzer
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Sandy
I so look forward
to meeting you - your
reviews are all saves!
Prava!
Lish Torruella

Freeing

01 December 1997

National Office for Aids Policy
Ms. Sandra Thurman, Director
808 17th St. NW
Ste. 820
Washington, DC 20006

Dear Ms. Thurman:

I read with interest the article that ran in the Atlanta Sunday Journal outlining your activities within the Aids community over the past decade. It seems that the Clinton Administration has found someone who can articulate the needs and urgency of continued support for finding a cure for this disease.

You see, this December marks the eleventh anniversary of my brother's death due to the complications of Aids. For two and a half years prior to his death we became close as the progression of the disease took more and more of his life. Right up to the last few days of his life he cherished the thing that mattered most- acceptance.

I wrote letters to all the appropriate agencies and people who should be concerned with these issues at that time. The best I could come up with was a letter to the editor in March of 1987 which served as Ken's epitaph.

In March of '95 my son came to live with me for the first time since my divorce. It was a sudden change because this fifteen year old was addicted to drugs and sexually active. They didn't want the problems. He had been hearing the Aids educational message for some time. Here was another problem that didn't have a neat solution.

I tell you these things because they have given me a unique perspective on the practicality of looking for solutions that work. And I think that you are someone who gives a damn. I'm sure that there are times when you feel lonely and exhausted by the task of running an underfunded office. It is precisely at these times you need to remember that there are many people like myself that have had to deal with the Aids epidemic first hand and appreciate the sacrifice you make on everyone's behalf.

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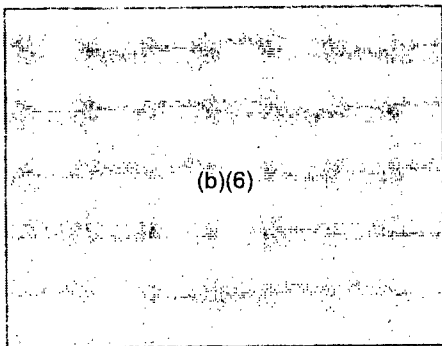
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When England struggled at the beginning of World War II, they desperately needed our assistance. Politics and Congress made it difficult for FDR to supply our ally with the arms and ammunition necessary to fight Hitler. Then, in a stroke of genius he came up with the "Lend, Lease Program" bypassing the obstacles at that time. Perhaps you will find your lend, lease program when it comes to needle exchange and other practical solutions to reducing the Aids epidemic.

You have a difficult selling proposition, Ms. Thurman. You have to convince people who aren't affected that they really are. One hundred fifty million dollars in funding by the federal government is great, but I don't think a bureaucracy can do it. Bill Gates had it right when he started Microsoft. All employees participated in the stock option plan and as Microsoft prospered so did they. He kept them all involved. Is there a way to keep everyone involved without having to experience this disease first hand?

Thanks for listening and doing what you are doing. It is important work. And take care of your health.



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recommendation of Patricia McInturff to director, Region X, Dep't of Health and Human Services

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Please ask
Told if this
is someone
should
support in some
way
Yanks



June 3, 1998

Secretary Donna Shalala
Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Ave., SW
Room 615-F
Washington, DC 20201

Dear Secretary Shalala:

It is with great pleasure that I write to recommend the appointment of Patricia McInturff to the position of Director, Region X, Department of Health and Human Services. As the largest AIDS service organization in the Pacific Northwest, we believe that Ms. McInturff is uniquely qualified to help meet the needs and goals of your department in our region. I strongly urge you to offer her your full support.

Over the course of the AIDS epidemic, Ms. McInturff has proven herself to be a strong advocate on behalf of both the State of Washington and people living with HIV or AIDS. Through her work at the Seattle-King County Department of Public Health, Ms. McInturff has played an integral role in our region's efforts to prevent the spread of HIV. As the administrator of the county's HIV/AIDS Services and Prevention Program, as well as the Sexually Transmitted Disease Control Program, Tuberculosis Control Program, and Epidemiology Program, I believe that she has gained the knowledge and expertise to help guide successful disease prevention programs throughout the Northwest.

Due to her long and outstanding commitment to the sound development of HIV/AIDS care service and prevention programs in Washington State, I believe that Ms. McInturff is the ideal candidate to fill the Region X Director position. If you have any further questions regarding our support for Ms. McInturff's appointment, or her past history with HIV/AIDS programs, please feel free to contact my office at (206) 860-6226.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry M. Stone". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Terry M. Stone
Executive Director

cc: Sandra Thurman, Director - Office of National AIDS Policy
Governor Gary Locke
Senator Slade Gorton
Senator Patty Murray
Representative Jim McDermott
Daniel Zingale, Executive Director - AIDS Action Council
Winnie Stachelberg, Director of Public Policy - Human Rights Campaign

*Sandy -
I really admire the work
that Patricia has done in the
Northwest. If you have any input
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your support!*
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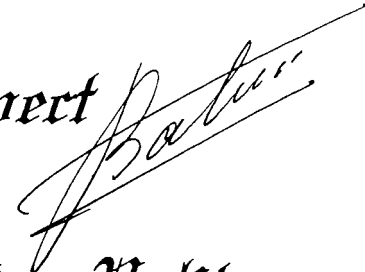
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Dear Mrs. Thurman!

*Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year!
Best wishes and let all
your dreams come true!*

With great respect

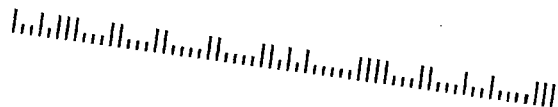
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*Dr. Iskander Halitov,
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of the Republic of Tatarstan*



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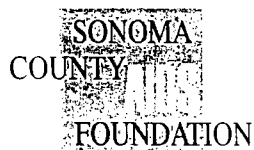
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Dear Ms. Thurman,

I had the pleasure of meeting you at the luncheon given by Dr. Robert Washington at the St. Francis Center in Washington, D.C., as well as at the conference sponsored by the Delaware HIV Consortium in Wilmington. As the executive director of Us Helping Us, People Into Living, Inc., **I would like to invite you to our Tenth Anniversary Open House on Thursday, January 29, 1997 from 1 - 2 pm at our new location, 811 L Street, SE.**

Founded in 1985 by African American gay men, Us Helping Us, People Into Living, Inc., is a nonprofit community-based AIDS services organization dedicated to reducing HIV/AIDS in the African American community by specializing in HIV prevention and holistic support services for gay and bisexual men. As you know, the District of Columbia has the highest number of AIDS cases per capita in the nation, and African American gay and bisexual men have the highest transmission rate in the District. Us Helping Us is the only agency in the Washington metropolitan area specializing in HIV/AIDS services for African American gay and bisexual men.

In the past ten years, Us Helping Us has grown from a small group of volunteers to being the primary agency funded to provide HIV prevention and support services for African American gay and bisexual men. Advances in HIV drug therapy have resulted in a reduction in the death rate for many people living with HIV/AIDS, however gay and bisexual men of color continue to die at a disproportionate rate. **Our goal for the next decade is to significantly reduce the rate of HIV infection and death among African American gay and bisexual men, and to support those living with the disease.**

In speaking with you, I know of your commitment to communities of color. **We would be honored if you would attend our open house and give a statement of support for our goals.** Our new telephone number is: 546-8200 (fax: 546-4511). Thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely,



Ron Simmons, Ph.D.
Executive Director

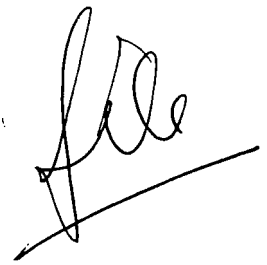
Outline of the Us Helping Us, Inc. 10th Anniversary Open House

Mission Statement:	A non-profit community based AIDS services organization dedicated to reducing HIV/AIDS in the African American community.
Vision for Next 10 Years:	To become a total comprehensive AIDS services organization.
Location of Program:	811 L Street, S.E. (Service Site)
Open House:	12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.
Program:	1:00 p.m to 2:00 p.m.
Expectation of Speakers:	Greetings and statements of support for the mission and vision of Us Helping Us.
Invited Guests:	Ms. Sandra Thurman, Director White House Office of National AIDS Policy The Honorable Marion Barry, Mayor Hon. Linda Cropp, Chairperson D.C. City Council Hon. Sandra Allen, Chairperson D.C. Human Services Committee Allen Noonan, M.D., Director D.C. Department of Health Ronald Lewis, Acting Administrator D.C. Agency for HIV/AIDS
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(Refreshments Served)

MEMORANDUM

TO: Jeff Kamen
FROM: Sarah
RE: Scheduling Request
DATE: October 21, 1997

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S. Kamen', with a long horizontal line extending from the bottom of the signature.

I received a call this morning from Angie Hendrickson, in Wisconsin, who has a 14 year old son named Brandon. He is a hemophiliac and is living with HIV/AIDS; in addition, he is part of a small program of young adults infected with HIV that takes part in yearly retreats and is currently planning a speaking tour of England later on this year. Because Brandon must visit NIH frequently for treatments and research, he and his mother will be in Washington for a three day visit beginning on December 8th. Both would like to meet with Sandy while they are here to talk about some of the obstacles that they have had to overcome in terms of getting treatment, paying for it, 'bad batches' of blood (which they just had to deal with last week), and what our office and other organizations can do to help people like them.

After talking with Ms. Hendrickson for about half an hour, I have found her to be a wonderful champion of children's rights and an articulate, knowledgeable advocate concerning some of the most complex issues surrounding HIV/AIDS. She has made contact with many of the Congresspersons here in Washington, including having met Mrs. Gore recently. Brandon, I believe, will be speaking at an event during his stay here in December, although I do not know the details.

Angie Hendrickson can be reached at 715 256-9748; Dave Butler, who is putting together the speaking tour of England, as well as Brandon's speaking engagement here in Washington, can be reached at 413 586-4662. Please let me know if I can be of any help in setting up a meeting between Sandy, Ms. Hendrickson, and her son Brandon.

DEAR SARAH & MS THURMAN, 10/23/97
THIS IS JUST A "PRELIMINARY"
I WANT TO WRITE AN "ANGIE LETTER"
AND NEED A QUIET HEART SPACE LATER
THIS EVENING. WE ATTEMPT TO RUN
A HOME BUSINESS AND TIMES ARE
DIFFICULT. THIS AND THAT CONTAMINATED
BLOOD PRODUCT BRANDON GOT HAS
MONOPOLIZED THIS DAY I'M NOT
IN A FRAME OF MIND BUT DON'T
WANT YOU THINKING ME UNRELIABLE
WITH REQUESTS. I APPRECIATE MORE
THAN WORDS CAN EXPRESS THE INTEREST
IN OUR CHILDREN'S TRIP TO ENGLAND I
SPOKE TO ANOTHER MOTHER INVOLVED
AND SHE'S SOMEONE YOU MIGHT TALK
WITH ALSO - SHE'S A JOY!! FAXING
LATER... GOD'S BLESSINGS

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Thank You, LORD, for Brandon

BY: Angie Hendrickson (written (b)(6) Brandon's 10th birthday)

The sun is shining brightly
And the birds sing Oh! so sweet
Your glory, Lord, surrounds me
As I kneel at your feet.

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Lord, Brandon is your blessing
Sent to earth from heaven above
And this disease that we call A.I.D.S.
A lesson of faith and love.

Thank you, Lord, for another day
Today, especially so
I thank you, Lord, for these 10 years
Of watching Brandon grow.

Lord, I know there is a message
Meant to reach beyond our home
Please help me see your will in this
Wherever I might roam.

Thank you, Lord, for Brandon
A truly special child
He's touched so very many hearts
In a world gone wild.

Lord, grant me strength and courage
And the wisdom of your word
So I can take "OUR" story
And really make it heard.

I know that he belongs to you
A gift on borrowed time
Thank you, Lord, for trusting me
With what isn't rightly mine.

Of how, through fear of dying
We've finally learned how to live
Our lives are full and we daily count
The many blessings that you give.

Lord, sometimes I wonder
If I can meet the task
Of caring for your precious lamb
In the way you ask.

When burdens seem too heavy
Or we glimpse the face of death
Remind me, Lord, that your place beyond
Is the very best.

The future is unknown to me
Your purpose is unclear
In the many burdens placed
On one so young and dear.

And that this is just a wayside
Down the road to eternity
And if we live for you each day
Together, forever, in heaven we'll soon be.

AMEN!

THIS WAS WRITTEN AT A TIME WHEN I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND
A "LARGER" GOD. I NO LONGER EMBRACE THE CHRISTIAN
FAITH, THE CREEDS OR A MALE AUTHORITY. MY GOD IS
GENDERLESS AND CAN BE FOUND WHEREVER I LOOK.
I DO CLAIM, HOWEVER, TO BE A STUDENT OF CHRIST
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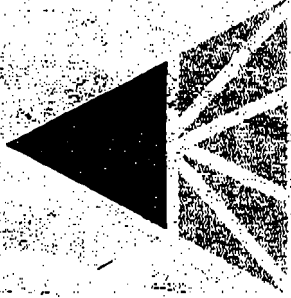
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Editor's Note

Brandon

By Terry Boughner

I wanted a cigarette—and that led to all the rest.

It began simply enough. Jerry and I were attending the annual Make A Promise Dinner at Milwaukee's grand, Fin de Siècle Pfister Hotel. While Jerry went off to mingle, I went looking for a spot to sit and smoke. From there I would watch the passing parade of hundreds of people, most in formal wear—tuxes or beads.

As I recalled from previous years, there was a table with an ashtray and a small grouping of chairs back by the dining room. I went there.

A man and a woman were there before me, both in their mid-30s so it seemed. He was good looking with a strong, friendly, open face. She had a startling beauty about her, willowy without being fragile in the least.

The man and woman were smoking. I lit up. Though we'd never met before, the three of us struck up an easy conversation, prompted by the camaraderie that bonds smokers these days.

Seated with them was a boy, 12, 13 years-old, I thought. He was wearing a black tuxedo. A small red rose clung stoutly to the lapel. His hair was the color of spun honey. His large, solemn eyes had look to them as if, even at his age, he had had a world of trouble flung at him. The man and woman were his parents. His

name was Brandon.

I could not get over how angelic he was. His pale skin had a translucency to it that gave him an ethereal beauty that I had only rarely seen before. Yet, at the same time, he was boy, all boy; boy with skinned knees and a dirty face; boy with a mischievous glint in his eyes that said he might have just replaced the sugar with the salt; boy walking barefoot with a fishing pole in his hand; but boy of the '90s who liked video games, spent lots of time on the Internet, and wore a diamond stud in his left ear.

Brandon said little. Like any kid his age, he was clearly bored. Besides, he had new shoes on and they pinched. His tux itched. I didn't need words to tell me that he was there because his parents were there. That brought back so many memories.

His mother told me that they lived in a town up north. I asked them what brought them to the Make A Promise Dinner. She said that Brandon was portrayed in one of the paintings in the "Faces of AIDS" series.

They come regularly to the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, she said. They also go to the National Institutes of Health (NIH), in Washington, DC, every other week. Brandon is one of the first two children to be accepted in NIH's protease inhibitor program. She told me he is doing well.

I looked out on the crowd swirling around us. They were all here in this hotel to contribute what they could in the fight against AIDS. It makes no difference how it's contracted, it's still a disease, a disease like any other, terrible, tragic in its conse-

quences for all concerned. Gay, straight, no matter who you are.

Hundreds of people were at Make A Promise that night. Uncounted hundreds more are in the front lines every single day of every single week, people at the Brady Street Clinic, at ARCW, at St. Camillus, at Madison's AIDS Network, all fighting, doing what they can, whatever they can, whenever they can. These valiant people know that there are no "innocent victims," there are only those afflicted with an illness that threatens their lives.

In those precious few moments I spent with the family, everything about the fight against AIDS came down to Brandon. In him I saw what it is that the people at Make A Promise, at BestD, at St. Camillus, at the AIDS Network and hundreds of other places across this country are doing. They are laboring so that a little boy like Brandon will see more sunrises, and the full moon shining in a frosty winter night. He will reach out a hand to touch the myriad stars. He will laugh, he will sing Christmas carols before a glowing tree. He will go fishing and he will spend more hours on the Internet.

Because of those "in the trenches," he will grow and know love. He will learn about love because of all those who loved him.

And if one little boy will live and grow, others will, too. Others will taste the wine of life, young and old, rich and poor, female and male, all races, all faiths, all sexual orientations. They will get this chance. They must have this chance. Everything in our humanity cries out that they must have this chance.

I had long since finished my cigarette—and several more. I went inside to eat. Afterward, as I was leaving, Brandon's mother and I embraced. I said something to her—I don't know what it was—and left.

Outside the hotel, the air was cold against my cheek. A few snowflakes danced in the wind. As I looked back, my eye got some dust in it. I wished Brandon well before I pulled up my collar and headed into the night.

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'Portraits of Hope' will highlight benefit

By James Auer
Journal Sentinel art critic

March 3, 1997

As a child, Wilma Bulkin Siegel promised herself that one day she would be either a doctor or an artist. Fortunately, the fates allowed her to become both.

Siegel, a retired oncologist and specialist in AIDS terminal care, will show 20 of her original paintings of AIDS patients in conjunction with the 11th annual "Make a Promise" dinner and auction, to be held Saturday, March 22, at the Pfister Hotel.

Two Wisconsin residents are among the patients portrayed.

One is Patrick, 51, who has been HIV-positive for five years and works as a volunteer for the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin. The other is Brandon, 13, who was born with hemophilia.

Siegel, of New York, met the two while taping a special video that will be premiered at the dinner and auction. She learned that Patrick's companion, also HIV-positive, had died in an auto crash and that Brandon had contracted HIV from contaminated blood.

Both portrait subjects have had difficult lives, Siegel found.

Patrick earns his living doing carpentry, painting and plumbing. Brandon, who lives with his mother and stepfather, has had to deal with two diseases but remains positive and optimistic.

Siegel contacted the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin last year after noticing AIDS Walk posters while driving through the state. She told Lisa Wolter, deputy director of community relations, that she would show her work to raise money for AIDS services.

Accordingly, the theme of this year's "Make a Promise" dinner and auction is "Portraits of Hope . . . a Celebration of Care." The evening's purpose is to recognize Wisconsin physicians who have dedicated their careers to caring for individuals with HIV and AIDS.

During her 20 years as an oncologist and educator, the Philadelphia-born Siegel recalls, she had an opportunity to learn to read people's faces, "to understand the individual without words -- the observation of the soul through the looking glass of the eyes."

She studied sculpture with Bruno Lucchesi at the New School in New York from 1974 to 1984 and art at the National Academy of Design in New York from 1989 to 1993. She is the recipient of several watercolor awards and exhibits primarily in New York and Florida.

Master of ceremonies for the March 22 benefit will be Mike Gousha, a news anchor at WTMJ-TV. Co-chairs are Trish Gillespie of Whitefish Bay, Timothy Lapp of Milwaukee and Paul Masterson of Milwaukee.

MY SECRET GARDEN

By: Angie Hendrickson

I have a secret garden
That is my very own
I love to go there often
To see what God has sown



A garden needs much tending
And lots of care each day
To keep what God has planted
Reaching heavens way

My garden is not perfect
I have a ways to go
The weeds keep right on growing
Making it hard for God to sow

Weeds I have enough of
I've no need for any more
So if its weeds you're bringing me
Please pass my garden door

Weeds I do not care for
It's the flowers that I love
Each and every one of them
A gift from God above

But weeding builds strong character
And some are meant to be
They're part of my GOD'S garden plan
So MY blessings I will see

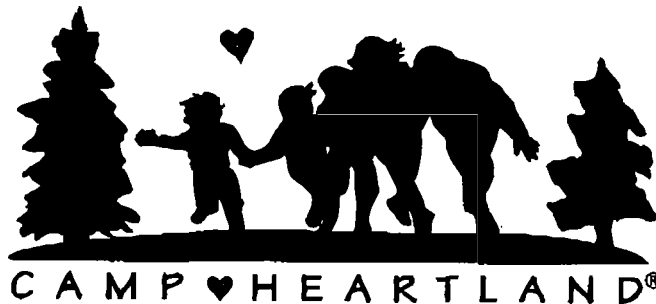
Sometimes the rain comes down to hard
And never seems to end
Blossoms droop and roots grow weak
While my garden I cannot tend

About the time I feel all's lost
The sun breaks through so bright
You see, the Lord is showing me
LOVES eternal light

I'll just keep right on trying
And the weeds are losing ground
Because I love this special place
That in my heart I've found

So if you pass my garden
Please plant your flower today
So I can love and tend it
As it reaches heaven's way



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CAMP HEARTLAND JOURNEY OF HOPE to Visit Madison

**Monday, December 2, 1996 at 7:30PM
Memorial Union Theater, 800 Langdon St.**

Children from CAMP HEARTLAND, the nation's largest camp for children impacted by HIV/AIDS, will be visiting the University of Madison to share their message of hope with students and the Madison community. The CAMP HEARTLAND JOURNEY OF HOPE is an AIDS awareness program that offers something different - the human side of AIDS, the opportunity for people to meet children who are living with HIV or AIDS. CAMP HEARTLAND campers share their stories about the struggles of living with a disease that threatens their lives, their experiences of going public in their communities, and their hopes for the future. The presentation encourages people to remain AIDS-free and to treat those infected with the virus with empathy. It's a powerful and emotional experience.

Since 1993, the JOURNEY OF HOPE has visited more than 100 schools, universities, churches, and community groups reaching more than 40,000 people. The children of CAMP HEARTLAND touch the lives of the people that they meet in a way that other AIDS awareness programs cannot. Students, administrators, parents, and teachers, repeatedly praise our program as a vital link in changing attitudes about AIDS.

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TOUR PARTICIPANTS

Neil Willenson, Age 25, Mequon, WI

Neil is the founder and president of Camp Heartland. Four years ago, after befriending a family living with AIDS in his hometown, Neil and a group of friends raised \$60,000 in four months to begin CAMP HEARTLAND. The first session welcomed 75 children. In just four years, the camp grew to three one-week sessions and served more than 300 children. For his efforts, Willenson received the prestigious Aetna/Arthur Ashe Voice of Conscience Award in 1994.

Camp Heartland was featured in the two hour CBS news documentary "Before Your Eyes: Angelie's Secret," which attracted approximately 7.5 million viewers and 20,000 phone calls to the Camp Heartland office.

Neil is a 1992 graduate from the University of Wisconsin.

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(b)(6) Age 10, Phoenix, AZ

Stephanie began exhibiting signs of the disease at just 5 months of age. After several hospital stays, and finally a series of blood tests, Stephanie and her mother (b)(6) were diagnosed as HIV-positive. Her mother died when Stephanie was six.

Throughout all of Stephanie's illnesses, and a medical protocol of 8 different medications a day, respiratory treatments 4 times a day, and IV therapy once a month, she has striven to be a "regular kid." In fall of '94 she announced to her classmates that she has AIDS. She has been well accepted and is happy to not have a "secret" any longer.

(b)(6) Age 13, Minneapolis, MN

Though infected with the virus at birth, Rachael leads a very active life, participating in basketball, track, choir, and is the president of her school's Student Council. In 1992, Rachael became the first child to go public in her community, prior to her appearance on the Magic Johnson TV special on children with AIDS. She has attended CAMP HEARTLAND since its inception and has been a regular member of the CAMP HEARTLAND speaking tour.

(b)(6) Age 13, Thiensville, WI

Johnathan was born on (b)(6) and was infected with the HIV virus on the second day of his life by a tainted blood transfusion. He was diagnosed with AIDS in June 1985, the first child in Colorado infected.

Jonathan was the first AIDS-infected child in the United States to attend public school without a court order. His youthful innocence soon brought local and national attention. At the age of five he co-authored the book, "My Name is Jonathan and I Have AIDS." It has been translated in Spanish, Vietnamese and Japanese. In Japan it is a popular textbook in schools. The Swain family has traveled to Japan three times.

Johnathan is a Denver Bronco fanatic, holding as one of his most memorable moments when he met John Elway. Though he is very accepting of the ramification of AIDS, he reminds everyone he is "living with AIDS."

(b)(6)

Age 13, Weyauwega, WI

Brandon is a very typical teenager. He prides himself on living as normally as possible. He has many friends and participates in several sporting activities. Along with his mother Angie Hendrickson, Brandon has been an HIV educator for many years. During September of 1996, Brandon had the great honor of sharing a stage at the Wisconsin AIDS Walk with honorary chair, Bette Midler.

Brandon was infected with HIV after receiving blood products used to treat his hemophilia.

Andre Lumumba, Age 22, Kansas City, MO

Andre was infected with HIV through a transfusion for hemophilia. There is among only a handful of African-Americans who are "public" AIDS educators. At age 14, Andre volunteered at the Good Samaritan Project in Kansas City supporting programs for people with AIDS. He has been a teen advisor and peer educator for the TEEN TAP Hotline, an open phone line for young people with questions about AIDS. He is a camp counselor and an eloquent spokesperson for CAMP HEARTLAND educational programs throughout the United States.

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***I EMBRACE MY JOURNEY, NO MATTER HOW
DIFFICULT. IF PERSONAL TRIALS MIGHT BRING
LIGHT TO ANOTHER, I GIVE MYSELF FREELY. I LIVE
MY DAYS FULLY CONSCIOUS THAT I AM ACTIVELY
INVOLVED IN WRITING THE PAGES OF FUTURE
HISTORY. IN DAYS TO COME, I WANT TO BE
REMEMBERED AS AN INSPIRATION, NOT AN
EMBARRASSMENT. "I WILL SHIELD THE TRUTH WITH
MY LIFE, I WILL WEAR HONOR AS MY CLOAK AND I
WILL STAND UP FOR JUSTICE EVEN IF I AM ACCUSED
OF ROCKING THE BOAT.....FAITH GOT ME
STARTED, HOPE KEEPS ME GOING AND LOVE WILL
BE MY COMPANION TO THE END."***

ACTION = LIFE

ANGIE HENDRICKSON

I DON'T
WANT TO BETRAY
DAVE TO CAMP
HEARTLAND —
DAVE NEEDS HELP!

A.I.D.S.

A lethal, deadly disease that causes many deaths. But, most people with this disease don't really mind that they have it. As long as there o.k. But, if there not o.k. they have themselves angry, and others very worried. They get emotionally sick and worry about hospital bills. And how thier relatives in the hospital and at home are doing.

I, myself get mad, because the people who sold factor knew that it had bad blood in it. But, they just kept on selling it and didn't care care if people got A.I.D.S., they just worried about themselves and money. Now after 15 years they finally tell America that they had nothing to do with it. While other people had proof that this was happening.

But approximately 9-10,000 Hemophiliacs are infected and now ~~2~~ ² people die a ~~month~~ ^{DAY}. Why did they do this to us, why?

OF HEMOPHILIA - RELATED AIDS

Brandon
2/94

Brandon
Lapinski

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 4, 1997

Ms. Angela K. Hendrickson
N3723 North Military Road
Weyauwega, Wisconsin 54983

Dear Ms. Hendrickson:

Thank you for inviting President Clinton to attend the Senate Work Day sponsored by the Hemophilia Federation on July 29, 1997. The President has asked me to convey his appreciation for your offer.

Unfortunately, the President's schedule does not permit him to accept as many invitations as he would like. He regrets that he was unable to accept your invitation.

On behalf of the President, thank you again.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephanie S. Streett", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Stephanie S. Streett
Assistant to the President
Director of Presidential Scheduling

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October 3, 1997

Ms. Sandra Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy
808 17th Street, N.W.
Suite 800
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Sandy,

This is a small token of our appreciation for the lovely lunch that we had at the White House mess. It was a first for both of us, and we enjoyed both the surroundings and the company.

On Wednesday you are moderating a panel in California and one of our Mom's will be giving a lay person's perspective on the epidemic. Her name is Brenda Feiberg and she is a remarkable human being. I hope that you two make a connection. Brenda comes from a corporate background and has lost two sons to AIDS, so she is powerful, articulate and pragmatic about the approach Mothers' Voices should be taking on issues.

You are doing a great job under difficult circumstances. Keep up the good work, and call us anytime you need an encouraging word. The Moms are now your biggest fans, and Christopher and I are happy to sing your praises when asked.

It is a pleasure to work with you, and I hope that you will let me know if we can be of assistance to you as you work to accomplish your mission.

Sincerely,

Amy Whitcomb Slemmer
Partner

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Dear Sandy -

A MESSAGE from Gloria Pofors...
It was a pleasure to meet
you & I hope we'll see you
again very soon --

At the best -
Morton

9th December, 1997

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Dear Sandy,

It was great to meet you
last week. I really enjoyed talking
to you.

Thank you for all your support.

It is surprising what you can achieve
with a little help from your friends.

Please don't hesitate to call if I
can be of any assistance with any of
your projects.

Looking forward to seeing you
soon - I hope in Washington.

Best wishes,

Sincerely, Glenda.

GLEND A BAILEY
Editor-In-Chief