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**LIGHTING
FLAME OF
THE HOPE**



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Camp Fire Boys and Girls To Promote AIDS Awareness,
Perform Community Service in Nation's Capital

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (June 9, 1994) -- More than 400 teens from across the country will promote AIDS awareness and perform community service projects to benefit AIDS victims during the Camp Fire Boys and Girls biennial National Youth Leadership Conference, Tuesday, June 28 through Sunday, July 3. The conference will be held on the campus of The American University in Washington, D.C.

Clinton Administration official and U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Joycelyn Elders will speak on personal responsibility, peer accountability, abstinence and safer sex. National AIDS Policy Coordinator Kristine M. Gebbie will address the conference on the importance of teen involvement, working within government and on the community level, to stop the spread of AIDS.

"Camp Fire teens gather every other year to study and take action on real-life issues. AIDS is the topic of a four-year awareness campaign selected by the teens," said K. Russell Weathers, national executive director and chief executive officer of Camp Fire Boys and Girls. "At a time when the nation's youth are often portrayed as a troubled and lost generation, this conference shows many teens are doing something about the dangers that threaten society."

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Conference activities will include three days of making and delivering gifts to AIDS patients and their families, holding a candlelight vigil on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, distributing red ribbons on the Mall and sponsoring HIV education workshops and other events designed to increase awareness of AIDS-related issues.

In addition to daily workshops, programs and activities on HIV and AIDS, the following special events are scheduled:

Conference Highlights

Tuesday, June 28: 6:30 p.m. Welcome to the nation's capital by Washington, D.C., Mayor Sharon Pratt Kelly and Baltimore Mayor Kurt Schmoke. Keynote address by U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Joycelyn Elders.

Wednesday, June 29: Noon. Keynote address by Kristine M. Gebbie, national AIDS policy coordinator for the Clinton Administration. 3:30 p.m. Teens begin three days of community service projects making tie-dye and hand-painted shirts and gift bags for AIDS patients, creating gifts for babies and children abandoned by AIDS-stricken parents and designing greeting cards and flower pots for AIDS families (see "Photo Opportunities").

Thursday, June 30: 9 a.m. Theatrical performance of "Secrets," a play about a teen who tests HIV positive, by the Kaiser Permanente acting troupe. 3:30 p.m. Day Two of community service projects.

Friday, July 1: 11:30 a.m. Teens deliver letters and red ribbons to congressional staff members on Capitol Hill. 4 p.m. Teens distribute red ribbons to the public on the Mall. 7 p.m. Entertainer Dawnn Lewis leads banner procession and AIDS candlelight vigil on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial.

Saturday, July 2: 9 a.m. Entertainer Dawnn Lewis discusses the importance of youth taking a stand and making a difference in their communities. 3:30 p.m. Final day of community service projects.

Camp Fire Boys and Girls is an 84-year-old national youth organization headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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FACTS-AT-A-GLANCE

Mission

Camp Fire Boys and Girls is a national youth development organization that empowers more than 700,000 boys and girls to reach their potential and to take action to improve their lives and those of others living in their communities. Serving youth from kindergarten through age 21, Camp Fire has a goal of serving one million youth by the year 2000.

Identity

Camp Fire was established in 1910 as the first nonsectarian organization for girls in the United States. Formerly known as "Camp Fire Girls," in 1975 the organization began including boys and in 1979 changed its name to "Camp Fire, Inc." In 1993, the organization changed its name to "Camp Fire Boys and Girls" to more accurately reflect the agency's commitment to coeducation. Today, more than 35 percent of Camp Fire youth are boys.

Empowerment Programs

- Camp Fire youth benefit from leadership training, self-reliance courses, child care, camping and environmental programs and club activities.
- Youth set the direction for local programs and work side-by-side with adult leaders. Three youth serve on the national board of directors.
- Youth tackle difficult subjects such as AIDS awareness, suicide, teen pregnancy, violence, discrimination and negative peer pressure.
- The "Teens in Action" program was designed specifically to meet the needs of that age group.

Commitment

Camp Fire is committed to diversity and operates from a policy of inclusiveness that values the dignity and worth of every individual.

Staff

Camp Fire has more than 65,000 adult volunteers, 12,000 program staff and 2,000 management specialists located throughout 135 councils nationwide.

Headquarters

A not-for-profit corporation due to celebrate its 85th anniversary in 1995, Camp Fire Boys and Girls is headquartered in Kansas City, Mo.

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NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Snapshot

Since 1966, Camp Fire Boys and Girls has sponsored nine National Youth Leadership Conferences (NYLC) at various locations across the country. Initially designed for youth in grades 9 through 12, the NYLC now includes grades 7 and 8, as well as adults. Conferences have been held in 1966, 1968, 1971, 1981, 1985, 1988, 1990, 1992 and from June 28 through July 3, 1994. Since 1988, conferences have been held every other year.

Focus

The three main objectives of the National Youth Leadership Conference are to:

- Provide a forum for youth to assemble and share in the interchange of education and preventative skill-training essential to addressing contemporary issues that affect them.
- Equip youth and adults with the elements of program implementation and expertise to return to their respective communities and initiate programs.
- Reinforce positive behaviors and impact decision-making processes that promote and influence healthy lifestyles among teens.

Theme

More than 400 teens are expected to attend the 1994 conference to be held from June 28 through July 3 on the campus of The American University in Washington, D.C. This year's theme, "Lighting the Flame of Hope," ignites six event-filled days with workshops covering AIDS awareness and education, leadership skills, self-development, diversity, self-esteem, public policy issues and teen program implementation.

Highlights

In addition to workshops, youth will perform community service projects to help AIDS victims and their families. The projects include holding an AIDS candlelight vigil on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial with entertainer Dawnn Lewis, distributing red ribbons on the Mall, making gifts for HIV/AIDS victims and their families, contributing panels to the AIDS Memorial Quilt and making legislative visits to Capitol Hill.

Participants will hear from two prominent guest speakers: U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Joycelyn Elders and Kristine M. Gebbie, national AIDS policy coordinator.

Other scheduled activities include fun events such as a barbecue, a dance, games and other entertainment before the youth return home to increase public awareness of HIV/AIDS.



For more information, contact
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PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES

During the 1994 National Youth Leadership Conference, Camp Fire youth will participate in several hands-on community service projects designed to help increase AIDS awareness. Gifts will be donated to organizations that serve AIDS/HIV victims and/or their families.

Visiting Capitol Hill

Event: Visit the offices of Congress members to deliver local council letters concerning AIDS.
Time: 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Date: Friday, July 1
Place: Capitol Hill

Distributing AIDS Ribbons

Event: Distribute red ribbons to the general public.
Time: 3:30 p.m.
Date: Friday, July 1
Place: Mall

Holding Candlelight Vigil

Event: Walk to Lincoln Memorial with banner and penlight "candles;" read names of deceased AIDS victims; testimonials by living victims of AIDS; songs by entertainer Dawnn Lewis.
Time: 7 p.m.
Date: Friday, July 1
Place: On the steps in front of the reflecting pool

Making AIDS Ribbons

Event: Make red ribbons to distribute on the Mall.
Time: 3:30 to 5 p.m.
Dates: Wednesday, June 29
Thursday, June 30
Place: Access Centennial Hall through Anderson Hall entrance. Media check-in at conference office in Centennial Formal Lounge or at media room in Centennial Study Lounge.
Recipients: General public

Packing Gift Bags

Event: Fill gift bags for teens and young children who have been abandoned, neglected, abused, prenatally exposed to drugs or who are HIV-infected.
Time: 3:30 to 5 p.m.
Date: Wednesday, June 29
Place: Children's National Medical Center-Burgess Clinic
Address: 111 Michigan Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20010
Place: Terrific, Inc.'s Grandma's House
Address: 1222 T Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009

Decorating Shirts

Event: Tie-dye and paint T-shirts for distribution to HIV-infected teens and youth at Children's National Medical Center-Burgess Clinic and Terrific, Inc.'s Grandma's House.
Time: 3:30 to 5 p.m.
Dates: Wednesday, June 29
Thursday, June 30
Place: Access Centennial Hall through Anderson Hall entrance. Media check-in at conference office in Centennial Formal Lounge or at media room in Centennial Study Lounge.

Creating Quilt Panels

Event: Create panels to be sewn into the AIDS Memorial Quilt.
Time: 3:30 to 5 p.m.
Dates: Wednesday, June 29
Thursday, June 30
Saturday, July 2
Place: Access Centennial Hall through Anderson Hall entrance. Media check-in at conference office in Centennial Formal Lounge or at media room in Centennial Study Lounge.
Recipient: Names Quilt Project

Making Quilts

Event: Make quilts for babies born with AIDS, fetal alcohol syndrome and drug addiction, living in hospitals or with foster parents.
Time: 3:30 to 5 p.m.
Dates: Wednesday, June 29
Thursday, June 30
Saturday, July 2
Place: Access Centennial Hall through Anderson Hall entrance. Media check-in at conference office in Centennial Formal Lounge or at media room in Centennial Study Lounge.
Recipient: At-Risk Baby Crib Quilt Project

Designing Cards

Event: Design and decorate greeting cards for monthly distribution to HIV/AIDS patients.
Time: 3:30 to 5 p.m.
Dates: Wednesday, June 29
Thursday, June 30
Place: Access Centennial Hall through Anderson Hall entrance. Media check-in at conference office in Centennial Formal Lounge or at media room in Centennial Study Lounge.
Recipient: Heartspace Miracles Foundation

Designing Thank-You Notes

Event: Decorate and design thank-you notes for more than 2,000 clinic volunteers who serve HIV/AIDS patients who receive outpatient treatment, dental and eye care.
Time: 3:30 to 5 p.m.
Dates: Wednesday, June 29
Thursday, June 30
Saturday, July 2
Place: Access Centennial Hall through Anderson Hall entrance. Media check-in at conference office in Centennial Formal Lounge or at media room in Centennial Study Lounge.
Recipient: Whitman Walker Clinic

Making Bracelets

Event: Design and create friendship bracelets for gift bags for HIV/AIDS youth and young adults.
Time: 3:30 to 5 p.m.
Dates: Wednesday, June 29
Thursday, June 30
Saturday, July 2
Place: Access Centennial Hall through Anderson Hall entrance. Media check-in at conference office in Centennial Formal Lounge or at media room in Centennial Study Lounge.
Recipients: Children's National Medical Center-Burgess Clinic
Food and Friends, 400 I Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20024

Making Roses

Event: Make candy roses for gift bags to be distributed to families with AIDS members.
Time: 3:30 to 5 p.m.
Date: Saturday, July 2
Place: Access Centennial Hall through Anderson Hall entrance. Media check-in at conference office in Centennial Formal Lounge or at media room in Centennial Study Lounge.
Recipient: Food and Friends

Making Puzzles

Event: Make puzzles for gift bags for HIV-positive children.
Time: 3:30 to 5 p.m.
Date: Wednesday, June 29
Place: Access Centennial Hall through Anderson Hall entrance. Media check-in at conference office in Centennial Formal Lounge or at media room in Centennial Study Lounge.
Recipients: Terrific, Inc.'s Grandma's House
Food and Friends

Creating Plants

Event: Decorate cups and plant forget-me-not seeds.
Time: 3:30 to 5 p.m.
Dates: Wednesday, June 29
Thursday, June 30
Place: Access Centennial Hall through Anderson Hall entrance. Media check-in at conference office in Centennial Formal Lounge or at media room in Centennial Study Lounge.
Recipients: To be determined

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M. JOYCELYN ELDERS, M.D.
U.S. Surgeon General
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As surgeon general in the U.S. Public Health Service (PHS), M. Joycelyn Elders, M.D., holds one of the most visible offices in government from which to advocate healthy behaviors.

She is the 16th in a line dating back to the appointment in 1871 of John Maynard Woodworth, who worked to transform what had been the Marine Hospital Fund into a broader Public Health Service. Dr. Elders is the first African-American and the second woman to hold the post. Recent surgeon generals have managed the personnel system for PHS' 6,000-member Commissioned Corps, a uniformed service (established by Woodworth) which can be reassigned to medical trouble spots when needed. While in the post, the surgeon general holds the rank of three-star admiral. Dr. Elders also will have special responsibilities for PHS' Offices of Population Affairs, Minority Health, Women's Health and the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

Dr. Elders was nominated as surgeon general by President Clinton on July 1, 1993, confirmed by the Senate September 7 and sworn in September 8.

During the Senate hearings on her confirmation, Dr. Elders stated: "I want to change the way we think about health by putting prevention first. I want to change the behaviors and attitudes of Americans by promoting programs and policies which will enable each of us to be responsible for our own health. I want to be the voice and the vision of the poor and the powerless. I want to change concern about social problems that affect health into commitment. And I would like to make every child born in America a planned and wanted child."

A native of Schaal, Ark., Dr. Elders is the oldest of eight children. She never saw a physician prior to her first year in college. At the age of 15, she received a scholarship from the United Methodist Church to attend Philander Smith College in Little Rock, Ark. Upon graduation at age 18, she entered the U.S. Army as a first lieutenant and received training as a physical therapist. She attended the University of Arkansas Medical School (UAMS) on the G.I. Bill. After graduation in 1960, she worked as an intern at the University of Minnesota Hospital in Minneapolis and as a pediatrician at the University of Arkansas Medical Center in Little Rock. Upon completion of her pediatric residency at UAMS, she obtained a master of science degree in biochemistry. In 1976, she joined the faculty at UAMS as a professor of pediatrics. She received board certification as a pediatric endocrinologist in 1978. Based on her studies of growth in children and the treatment of hormone-related illnesses, she has written more than 150 articles for medical research publications.

As a provider in many of the programs supported by the Public Health Service, Dr. Elders has hands-on experience both as a physician and in public health clinics and at the University of Arkansas School of Medicine. Before coming to PHS, Dr. Elders was director of the Arkansas Department of Health, having been appointed in that position in October 1987 by then-Governor Bill Clinton. During that time, she achieved records in many areas of current PHS concern. Under Dr. Elders, the number of early childhood screenings in Arkansas increased from just over 4,000 in 1988 to 45,000 in 1992. The immunization rate for two-year-olds increased from 34 percent in 1989 to 60 percent in 1992. In an effort to combat infant mortality, she worked to increase the number of women receiving early and regular prenatal care, with an increase of 17 percent in the maternity caseload from 1990 to 1992. Dr. Elders expanded HIV testing and counseling services to include every Arkansas county and more than doubled these services since 1990. She expanded breast cancer screenings, including mammograms for low-income women. In-home services for frail to terminally ill patients, including intermittent to continuous care, were expanded to offer 24-hour care, seven days a week.

Dr. Elders was elected president of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officers in August 1992. She has been active in civic affairs as a member of the Little Rock Chamber of Commerce, Northside YMCA and Youth Homes. She was listed in "100 Outstanding Women in Arkansas," "Personalities of the South" and "Distinguished Women in America." She has won awards such as the Arkansas Democrat's Woman of the Year, the National Governor's Association Distinguished Service Award, the American Medical Association's Dr. Nathan David Award, the De Lee Humanitarian Award, and the National Coalition of 100 Black Women's Candace Award for Health Science.

Dr. Elders has received honorary doctorate of medical science degrees from Morehouse College, the University of Minnesota and Yale University and honorary doctorate of letters degrees from Philander Smith College, Connecticut College, Hendrix College and LeMoyne Christian College.

Until his recent retirement as basketball coach at Hall High School in Little Rock, Dr. Elders was her husband Oliver's most outspoken supporter during games. The Elders have two grown sons, Eric and Kevin.

KRISTINE M. GEBBIE
National AIDS Policy Coordinator
Appointed by President Bill Clinton

Kristine M. Gebbie, R.N., M.N., is President Clinton's national AIDS policy coordinator, overseeing the nation's HIV and AIDS agenda in research, services and prevention. Prior to her appointment, Ms. Gebbie served as Secretary of the Department of Health for the state of Washington. She was a member of the Watkins Commission, the first presidentially chartered body to make comprehensive recommendations for the national response to HIV and AIDS.

Ms. Gebbie has a lengthy career history in the health field and public policy. She has served as the public health administrator in the state of Oregon, and was the coordinator of ambulatory care for St. Louis University Hospitals. Ms. Gebbie taught health courses at the University of Washington, the Oregon Health Sciences University in Portland, the University of California at Los Angeles and St. Louis University.

She is active in many professional organizations and has served as a member of the executive board of the American Public Health Association. She has been a member of the HIV Committee of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, and has chaired the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Advisory Committee on the prevention of HIV infection and the Environment, Safety, and Health Advisory Committee of the U.S. Department of Energy. She is a member of the Institute of Medicine, and has served on its AIDS Oversight Committee.

Ms. Gebbie has a bachelor of science degree in nursing from St. Olaf College, a masters of nursing from the University of California at Los Angeles, and is a doctoral candidate at the University of Michigan School of Public Health. She is a mother of three and resides in Washington, D.C.

DAWNN LEWIS

Entertainer

Entertainer Dawnn Lewis has many talents -- acting, singing, songwriting and dancing. But her talents don't stop with stage, screen and musical performances. Lewis donates a great portion of her talent and time to not-for-profit organizations that offer programs that teach youth responsibility and self-esteem -- organizations such as Camp Fire Boys and Girls.

Lewis became a member of Camp Fire's national board of directors in July 1992 and is currently serving a two-year term. She promotes the organization to audiences both young and old. "I've known about and appreciated Camp Fire's emphasis on building character and self-esteem in youth for a long time. I know how important it is to have someone talk straight to kids about what to expect from life," she says.

Lewis is well known for her TV roles on "Hangin' With Mr. Cooper" and "A Different World." The versatile actress also recently portrayed a young Ella Fitzgerald in the CBS made-for-TV movie "Stompin' at the Savoy." Lewis' stage credits include "The Tap Dance Kid," "Ain't Misbehavin'" and "The Wiz."

Many of Lewis' fans sing the lyrics she wrote for the "A Different World" musical theme, a song that has been performed by superstars Aretha Franklin and Phoebe Snow. Lewis recently co-wrote "Your Love," which is performed by Nancy Wilson and featured on saxophonist Grover Washington's latest album. Having written songs performed by such heavyweights, Lewis is in the process of developing an album that will highlight her own singing ability.

A native of Brooklyn, New York, Lewis attended Music and Art High School. She entered the University of Miami at age 16, majoring in musical theater and graduating magna cum laude with a bachelor of arts degree.

Her commitment to high standards in professional life coupled with a keen sense of civic responsibility makes Dawnn Lewis an excellent role model for today's youth.

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NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE JUNE 28—JULY 3, 1994

CampFire Boys and Girls

June 29, 1994

"Lighting the Flame of Hope"--Leadership Opportunities

I. Why is leadership needed on HIV

- A. The problem continues to grow
- B. Many at risk do not understand that fact
- C. Communities are still not active partners
- D. This disease cannot be solved solely by national work

II. Why youth leadership

- A. Youth remain at high risk
 - 1. age at acquiring infection dropping
 - 2. young women becoming infected at high rate
- B. Youth listen to each other
 - 1. peer standards/expectations are important
- C. Adults listen to youth
 - 1. impact of HIV+ youth
 - 2. "reality factor"

III. Areas for leadership

- A. comprehensive health education
 - 1. schools
 - 2. community groups
- B. parent/youth learning opportunities
 - 1. role of peer educators

2.parents/youth together and apart

C.access to services

1.HIV testing/care

2.all services for out-of-school youth

D.location/timing of services

E.moving onto fuzzier ground

1.tackle the use of sexuality in advertising

2.tackle the display of sexual behavior in media

a.no risk discussions

b.no condom use

c.few/no young abstainers

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June 9, 1994

Kristine M. Gebbie
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Dear Ms. Gebbie:

Camp Fire Boys and Girls is very pleased that you have agreed to be the keynote speaker at our biennial National Youth Leadership Conference on June 29, 1994. Your message will serve as the foundation and a driving force for the critical issues we face throughout the week. It will serve to ignite the flame of hope in the fight against AIDS.

In 1992, on the campus of UCLA, 500 teens assembled and chose HIV/AIDS as the issue most critical deserving of their time and energy. After two years of hard work, community service and peer education, they will gather to impart information, share successes and celebrate life.

"Lighting the Flame of Hope," the theme chosen by the teens, signifies their commitment as trustees of prosperity. It serves as a sign that they are hopeful and effective combatants in the fight against AIDS. This conference will educate young people peer to peer and bring about awareness nationwide of the impact of AIDS on the teen population. It will also reinforce positive behaviors while impacting the decision-making processes that promote and influence healthy lifestyles among teens. The youth come prepared to ignite the fires of awareness, empowerment and responsibility to ensure hope for tomorrow.

The conference will be at the American University, 4400 Massachusetts Ave. N.W. in Washington D.C. We would like for you to arrive at Centennial Formal Lounge (entrance through Anderson Hall), where you will be greeted by members of the national board of directors. You will be escorted to the arena where you will meet our National Board President Cynthia Kelly, National Executive Director K. Russell Weathers and Vice-President of Youth Development Salliejo Poss. Your speech will begin at approximately 11:15 a.m. We also invite you to join the teens for lunch in the university cafeteria following our presentation.

Kristine Gebbie
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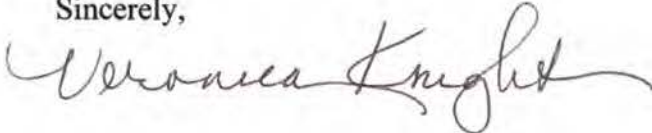
Our conference staff will be happy to work with you and your staff relative to many special needs you might have. We would appreciate if you could address the following topics or themes in your message to the youth conference participants.

- The importance of teen involvement in the fight against HIV/AIDS
- Teen partnership opportunities with the federal government and local community organizations in their fight against AIDS
- Recognition and praise of the work that youth have already accomplished, in addition to the ambitious plans they have made to continue their fight against HIV/AIDS
- Any other topics you deem relevant or important

Enclosed is the conference promotional packet and some background information on Camp Fire Boys and Girls. Please call me if you need additional information or have any questions.

Thank you for being a partner with the youth of today in the fight against AIDS. The time that you are taking to be with us during the 1994 National Youth Leadership Conference will have a positive and inspiring impact that will not only last throughout the conference but, perhaps, for a lifetime.

Sincerely,



Veronica Knight
National Youth Leadership
Conference Program Coordinator

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EVENT INFORMATION/BRIEFING

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Speech Catagory:

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TIME & PLACE OF EVENT

Date: JUNE 29, 1994 Time: 11:00 A.M.			
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City: WASHINGTON, D.C.	State:	Zip Code:	
Greeter's Name: DEBBIE ESPINOSA		Location to be met: CONFERENCE OFFICE - CENTENNIAL FORMAL LOUNGE (entrance through Anderson Hall)	
Introduced by: SALLIEJO POSS AND LISSA SCOUTEN			

NATURE OF PRESENTATION

Topic/Title: THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUTH INVOLVEMENT IN THE FIGHT AGAINST AIDS	
(see attached letter for details)	
Conference Theme/Special Requests: "LIGHTING THE FLAME OF HOPE" in the fight against AIDS	
Agenda Attached? YES	
Format/Purpose ☒ Keynote ☐ Panel Discussion ☐ Dinner/Luncheon ☐ Other Specify:	
Desired Length of Presentation: 45 MINUTES	Start time: 11:15 AM Stop Time: 12:00PM
Audience Type: PRIMARILY YOUTH, AGED 13 - 18. ADULTS THAT WORK WITH YOUTH.	
Estimated Size: 500	

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June 9, 1994

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Dear Ms. Gebbie:

Camp Fire Boys and Girls is very pleased that you have agreed to be the keynote speaker at our biennial National Youth Leadership Conference on June 29, 1994. Your message will serve as the foundation and a driving force for the critical issues we face throughout the week. It will serve to ignite the flame of hope in the fight against AIDS.

In 1992, on the campus of UCLA, 500 teens assembled and chose HIV/AIDS as the issue most critical deserving of their time and energy. After two years of hard work, community service and peer education, they will gather to impart information, share successes and celebrate life.

"Lighting the Flame of Hope," the theme chosen by the teens, signifies their commitment as trustees of prosperity. It serves as a sign that they are hopeful and effective combatants in the fight against AIDS. This conference will educate young people peer to peer and bring about awareness nationwide of the impact of AIDS on the teen population. It will also reinforce positive behaviors while impacting the decision-making processes that promote and influence healthy lifestyles among teens. The youth come prepared to ignite the fires of awareness, empowerment and responsibility to ensure hope for tomorrow.

The conference will be at the American University, 4400 Massachusetts Ave. N.W. in Washington D.C. We would like for you to arrive at Centennial Formal Lounge (entrance through Anderson Hall), where you will be greeted by members of the national board of directors. You will be escorted to the arena where you will meet our National Board President Cynthia Kelly, National Executive Director K. Russell Weathers and Vice-President of Youth Development Salliejo Poss. Your speech will begin at approximately 11:15 a.m. We also invite you to join the teens for lunch in the university cafeteria following our presentation.

Kristine Gebbie

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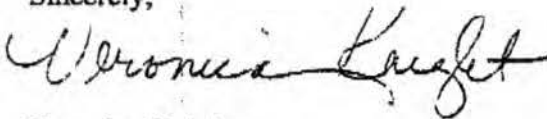
Our conference staff will be happy to work with you and your staff relative to many special needs you might have. We would appreciate if you could address the following topics or themes in your message to the youth conference participants.

- The importance of teen involvement in the fight against HIV/AIDS
- Teen partnership opportunities with the federal government and local community organizations in their fight against AIDS
- Recognition and praise of the work that youth have already accomplished, in addition to the ambitious plans they have made to continue their fight against HIV/AIDS
- Any other topics you deem relevant or important

Enclosed is the conference promotional packet and some background information on Camp Fire Boys and Girls. Please call me if you need additional information or have any questions.

Thank you for being a partner with the youth of today in the fight against AIDS. The time that you are taking to be with us during the 1994 National Youth Leadership Conference will have a positive and inspiring impact that will not only last throughout the conference but, perhaps, for a lifetime.

Sincerely,



Veronica Knight
National Youth Leadership
Conference Program Coordinator

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 1, 1994

Ms. Veronica Knight
Youth Leadership and Program Specialist
Camp Fire Boys and Girls
Camp Fire, Incorporated
4601 Madison Avenue
Kansas City, Missouri 64112-1278

Dear Ms. Knight:

This letter confirms the participation of Kristine M. Gebbie, National AIDS Policy Coordinator, in the National Youth Leadership Conference, on June 29, 1994 at 11:00 a.m. at American University in Washington, D.C..

Please call me at (202) 632-1090 with any questions or for further clarification. I am enclosing a biographical sketch and curriculum vitae for your reference.

Sincerely,

W. Steve Lee

W. Steve Lee, Executive Assistant
and Scheduler to the
National AIDS Policy Coordinator

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Please re-draft, note
actual date and time.

February 21, 1994

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October 6, 1993



Kristine Gebbie
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Dear Ms. Gebbie:

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the upcoming National Youth Leadership Conference. This open conference, hosted by Camp Fire Boys and Girls will be held June 28 - July 3, 1994 at American University in Washington D.C.. As previously discussed, the focus of this event will be HIV/AIDS among Teens. The theme, "Lighting the Flame of Hope" and the corresponding program will promote awareness and education as a key element in the fight against this pandemic.

After talking with you personally at the NORA September meeting and in visiting with Retina, I communicated to her, our desire to have you speak for approximately 20-30 minutes at the opening general session of the Conference. This general session will take place on June 29, from 11:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.. If this date and time is not convenient for you, please notify me as soon as possible. We would like to accommodate any previous commitments that you might have.

The youth are thrilled that you have agreed to be part of the conference and provide support for the cause they so passionately fight.

I am enclosing for your review preliminary conference information.

Please provide a letter confirming your participation and any information that you can provide for the conference program, including photographs and a short bio.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Veronica Knight".

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- >The significance of community service in youth and community development

***Exhibits**

Conference registrants and participating sponsors are invited to display programs and materials at the exhibit forum throughout the conference. There are specific viewing hours when the exhibits may be manned to respond to questions the conference participants may have. The exhibits are intended to provide resource ideas that can be adapted or replicated for use in various family, school or community settings. If you wish to participate in the exhibit, please check the appropriate box on the registration form and attach a brief summary of your proposed exhibit.

***Teen Issue Film Festival**

Youth and adults will have the opportunity to view and discuss documentaries and films on contemporary issues that they confront daily. This will also afford them the opportunity to preview films for possible use in their own community setting. The Center for Population Options has offered access to their extensive film library for use in the film festival.

***Youth Rap**

Youth conference participants, along with interested professionals and adults, will have the opportunity to address issues concerning discrimination, date-rape, peer pressure, teen alcoholism and other problems faced by teens today. There will be sessions for same sex, to address issues concerning adolescent sexuality and HIV/AIDS education.

Conference Highlights

***The Wild and Crazy D.C. games**

Youth teams will have fun as they perform zany stunts in friendly competition with their neighbors. You just might see teens sliding down a slide covered with shaving cream, landing in a puddle of Jell-O. This is a fun time designed to create community and get things off to a good start.

***Opening Barbecue**

Conference participants will convene in the middle of the campus to enjoy barbecue and to hear an inspiring motivational speaker who will get the conference off to a good, upbeat start.

***I'd "Druther" Give Service**

This event allows those who enjoy using their creative energy the chance to make tie-dye shirts, children's quilts, and to decorate umbrellas that will be donated to sponsors and area centers that work with AIDS patients.

***Opening Session**

The opening session will feature exciting noteworthy speakers, the national AIDS policy coordinator, Kristine Gebbie has been invited to speak. Youth will be challenged to learn and grow as they experience the next few days of carefully planned fun and instructional events.

***Arts and Theater**

The performing arts companies of "Heart strings," and "Secrets" have been invited to perform during the conference. They will also conduct workshops to encourage and develop that star quality many conference attendees possess. Other methods of creative expression include ventriloquist Willie Brown and Woody plus local youth drama productions.

***Legislative Updates**

Opportunities for youth to hear about current policy issues will be afforded. The teens will also have the chance to voice their opinions and be heard by policy makers will take place. The youth will learn more about the governmental process, lobbying and advocacy.

***The Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt**

The AIDS quilt will be displayed as an integral part of the conference as participants are able to view and learn the history behind its creation. It will serve to recognize and remember those who have died from this epidemic.

***Beach Bash**

This event will allow conference participants a chance to get better acquainted as they exchange neat buttons and paraphernalia from their hometowns. They will have the opportunity to show their spirit as they dance and sing the night away, dressed in beach wear. There will be volleyball, swimming and a fun evening on the beach.

***Walk on Washington public service event**

Conference participants will experience the opportunity of a lifetime. They will have a chance to visit the White house, the Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument, the Vietnam veterans wall and the Smithsonian Institute while sharing their passion by distributing red ribbons and information about HIV/AIDS.

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In commemoration and support of those fallen from AIDS, and in support of those currently afflicted by HIV/AIDS, a candlelight vigil will be held around the reflection pool on the mall.

***Closing Banquet**

The 1994 National Youth Leadership Conference culminates with a formal awards banquet. This gala event recognizes, through a series of prestigious awards, the contributions of exemplary programs to their communities and the support and participation of our collaborative sponsors and organizations. Sterlena Sterling will perform the AIDS anthem and theme song for the conference, "Look Away." Panels from the AIDS quilt will be displayed and the exciting 1994 conference audio/visual presentation will be shown. The well-known theatrical arts group Heartstrings 101 will entertain and enlighten the audience with short skits, singing and dancing.

Conference At a Glance

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Conference Speakers currently under consideration

Tom Hanks, celebrity - star of *Philadelphia*
Denzel Washington, celebrity
Chad Lowe, celebrity
John Crudele, Motivational Speaker
Micheal Quercio, PLWA
Dr. Fleur Sack,
Dr. Reginal Fennell, American College Health Association
Duane Crumb, TeenAIDS Institute
Willie Brown/Woody, Ventriloquist
Peter Zamora, PLWA
Jimmy Dorrell, T.E.A.M. (Transformative Education and Motivation)
Steve DePass, MC - Thread person
Susie Landolphi (motivational speaker)

Speakers Scheduled

Kristine Gebbie, National AIDS Policy Coordinator
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Conference Highlights

Heartstrings 101 (NCAP)
Names Quilt
Secrets
Beach Bash
Walk on Washington
Candlelight vigil
"What about AIDS?" - exhibit (in process of coordinating)
field trip
Conference wide community service projects

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Conference Coordinators

Connie Coutellier, Director Program Services
Conference Operations Coordinator
Veronica Knight, Youth Leadership Specialist
Conference Program Coordinator
Laura Rudicil, Special Events Coordinator
Logistics Coordinator

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1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Registration
1:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Pool and Recreation
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Opening Picnic/ Barbecue/Program -Speaker TBA
9:30 pm - 10:15 pm	Club meetings - music,newspaper, opinion poll, photography
10:30 pm - 11:00 pm	Living Group meetings

8:00 am - 9:00 am	<i>Breakfast</i>
9:30 am - 10:45 am	Workshop sessions
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Opening General Session Speaker Kristine Gebbie, National AIDS Policy Coordinator
12:15 pm - 1:15 pm	<i>Lunch</i>
1:30 pm - 2:45 pm	Workshop sessions
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Druther "Give Service" Pool and Recreation Club meetings
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	<i>Dinner</i>
7:30 pm - 10:00 pm	DC Games
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THURSDAY, JUNE 30

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 Speaker TBA
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FRIDAY, JULY 1

- 7:30 am - 8:30 am *Breakfast*
- 9:00 am Depart for Washington Mall Excursion
 "Walk on Washington"
- 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Candlelight Vigil at the Reflection Pool on the
 Washington Mall
- 7:30 pm - 8:00 pm Return to Campus
- 8:30 pm - 10:00 pm Activities TBA
- 10:30 pm - 11:00 pm Living group meeting

SATURDAY, JULY 2

- 7:30 am - 8:30 am *Breakfast*
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 Pool and Recreation
 Club meeting
- 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm Closing event
 (Banquet and/or program)
- 10:30 pm - 11:00 pm Living Group meetings
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SUNDAY, JULY 3

- 6:00 am - 7:00 am Sunrise Ceremonial
 Meditation
- 7:30 am - 8:30 am *Breakfast*
- 9:00 am Check-out and departure



February 4, 1994

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Office of National AIDS Policy
750 17th Street, Northwest, #1060
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Friend of Youth:

The biennial National Youth Leadership Conference will bring 700 young people and adults to Washington, DC to address the needs of youth as they encounter the challenges of today's world. This year's conference will provide an exciting forum for youth to address the issue they selected at the last conference, HIV/AIDS. Youth will come to the conference to learn more about the epidemic, develop leadership skills that can be applied in their home communities and to enjoy fun and the friendship of other young people who share their concerns.

"Lighting the Flame of Hope" is the theme of this conference that will be held at the American University in Washington, DC, June 28 - July 3, 1994. The conference offers five event-filled days with workshops covering such topics as AIDS awareness and education, leadership skills, self-development, diversity, conflict resolution, self-esteem, public policy issues and program implementation. The conference will also feature prominent speakers and celebrities.

We would like to invite you to join organizations like the Center for Population Options and the American Red Cross and submit a workshop proposal for the conference. Enclosed is a description of the workshop tracks and criteria for selection along with a workshop proposal form. If you are interested in being considered as a presenter, please complete the form and return it by March 1, 1994.

If you have any questions, please call me or Veronica Knight at 816-756-1950. If you choose to fax your proposal, send it to 816-756-0258. We look forward to hearing from you as we work together with youth to make a difference in the lives of all young people in this country.

Sincerely,

Kathy Hermes
Workshop Coordinator

Enclosure

WORKSHOP FORMAT

The workshops will be organized into tracks: "HIV/AIDS Education," "HIV/AIDS Instructor Training," "Action, Action, Action" and "Leadership and Self-Development." Each track is comprised of workshops that are age-appropriate and experiential in nature. Youth will sign up for one track.

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This intensive course will prepare teams of youth and adults to present programs in their communities. The American Red Cross is sponsoring the track and enrollment will be limited.

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Workshops in this track will strengthen basic leadership skills and offer information for personal development. Youth will examine personal and career goals; focus on self-esteem, stress management and conflict resolution. Youth will also explore contemporary issues such as diversity.

Every workshop at the conference will reflect Camp Fire's philosophy of providing a group experience for youth that emphasizes self, skill and social development in a pluralistic society. Youth and adults work in partnership in their projects and all workshops will reflect this philosophy. The workshops will also provide model programs and projects for replication in local communities.

Workshops are one hour in length and can be repeated. Workshop presenters will be selected based on their qualifications related to the proposed subject. Topic areas are described in the workshop proposal form. Presenters are encouraged to involve youth in the design and delivery of workshops. All sessions should be interactive, with implementation tips and suggestions participants can take home.

WORKSHOP PROPOSAL FORM

Name and Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone and Fax: _____

Names, Title of Co-Presenters: _____

Topic being addressed in workshop and title: _____

Which track does this topic fit into?

- ☐ Action, Action, Action
- ☐ Leadership and Self-Development

Description of workshop (include how youth are involved in design and delivery of topic):

What will be the outcome of the workshop?

What do we need to provide for you to have a successful workshop?

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Would you be interested in participating in other aspects of the conference?

If you choose not to submit a proposal, would you like to exhibit, sponsor youth or participate in any other manner?

Workshop proposals are due March 1, 1994 to Camp Fire Boys and Girls, 4601 Madison Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64112, Attention: Kathy Hermes.

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- >Examining critical issues in partnerships that advance and support community service
- >The significance of community service in youth and community development

***Exhibits**

Conference registrants, participating sponsors and interested parties are invited to display programs and materials at the exhibit forum throughout the conference. There are specific viewing hours when the exhibits may be manned to respond to questions the conference participants may have. The exhibits are intended to provide resource ideas that can be adapted or replicated for use in various family, school or community settings. If you wish to participate in the exhibit, please contact conference coordinators for additional information. of your proposed exhibit.

***Teen Issue Film Festival**

Youth and adults will have the opportunity to view and discuss documentaries and films on contemporary issues that they confront daily. This will also afford them the opportunity to preview films for possible use in their own community setting. The Center for Population Options has offered access to their extensive film library for use in the film festival.

***Youth Rap**

Youth conference participants, along with interested professionals and adults, will have the opportunity to address issues concerning discrimination, date-rape, peer pressure, teen alcoholism and other problems faced by teens today. There will be sessions for same sex, to address issues concerning adolescent sexuality and HIV/AIDS education.

Conference Highlights

***The Wild and Crazy D.C. games**

Youth teams will have fun as they perform zany stunts in friendly competition with their neighbors. You just might see teens sliding down a slide covered with shaving cream, landing in a puddle of Jell-O. This is a fun time designed to create community and get things off to a good start.

***Opening Barbecue**

Conference participants will convene in the middle of the campus to enjoy barbecue and to hear an inspiring motivational speaker who will get the conference off to a good, upbeat start.

***I'd "Druther" Give Service**

This event allows those who enjoy using their creative energy the chance to make tie-dye shirts, children's quilts, and to decorate umbrellas that will be donated to sponsors and area centers that work with AIDS patients.

***Opening Session**

The opening session will feature exciting noteworthy speakers, the national AIDS policy coordinator, Kristine Gebbie has been invited to speak. Youth will be challenged to learn and grow as they experience the next few days of carefully planned fun and instructional events.

***Arts and Theater**

The performing arts companies of "Heart strings," and "Secrets" have been invited to perform during the conference. They will also conduct workshops to encourage and develop that star quality many conference attendees possess. Other methods of creative expression include ventriloquist Willie Brown and Woody plus local youth drama productions.

***Legislative Updates**

Opportunities for youth to hear about current policy issues will be afforded. The teens will also have the chance to voice their opinions and be heard by policy makers will take place. The youth will learn more about the governmental process, lobbying and advocacy.

***The Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt**

The AIDS quilt will be displayed as an integral part of the conference as participants are able to view and learn the history behind its creation. It will serve to recognize and remember those who have died from this epidemic.

***Beach Bash**

This event will allow conference participants a chance to get better acquainted as they exchange neat buttons and paraphernalia from their hometowns. They will have the opportunity to show their spirit as they dance and sing the night away, dressed in beach wear. There will be volleyball, swimming and a fun evening on the beach.

***Walk on Washington public service event**

Conference participants will experience the opportunity of a lifetime. They will have a chance to visit the White house, the Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument, the Vietnam veterans wall and the Smithsonian Institute while sharing their passion by distributing red ribbons and information about HIV/AIDS.

***Candlelight Vigil**

In commemoration and support of those fallen from AIDS, and in support of those currently afflicted by HIV/AIDS, a candlelight vigil is planned around the reflection pool on the mall. Entertainment is being planned during this event.

***Closing Event**

The 1994 National Youth Leadership Conference culminates with a formal awards banquet. This gala event recognizes contributions of exemplary programs to their communities and the support and participation of our collaborative sponsors and organizations. Sterlena Sterling will perform the AIDS anthem and theme song for the conference, "Look Away." Panels from the AIDS quilt will be displayed and the exciting 1994 conference audio/visual presentation will be shown. The well-known theatrical arts group Heartstrings 101 will entertain and enlighten the audience with singing, short skits, and dancing.

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