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Sincerely,

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Deputy Assistant to the President and
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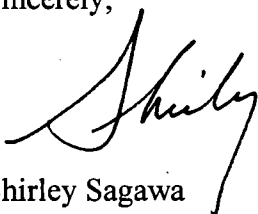
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Dear Mrs. Rodham Clinton,

Friday, July 23, 1999

As parents, we all understand we live in a time when our young people are more confused than at any other time in this century. A situation like Littleton calls our attention to the deep need for listening to our youth and responding with our wisdom and experience.

Young people are crying out for guidance, a helping hand, parenting, family values, signposts along the path. If we continue to ignore these blatant cries for help, we fail our children, our society, our future.

Our book, *Heroes Passing the Baton*, addresses the issue of mentoring, communication, and guidance, thereby providing some of these crucial signposts. The book is a simple but bold project in which we invite high school students from socially and ethnically diverse backgrounds—including students from Columbine high school—to ask important life questions of well-known, respected adults. The adults answer with the wisdom of their life experiences. Part of the proceeds of this book will go to support children's causes. We are approaching David and Valerie Robinson, Christin Cooper (enclosed sample), John Elway, Oprah Winfrey, Robert Redford, Andrea Jaeger, Colin Powell, Bill Moyers and others.

We would feel very honored if you would join us and further your work of twenty-five years improving the lives of children. In your wonderful book *It Takes a Village*, you clearly demonstrate how young people need us, all of us. Our own book offers us all an opportunity to invest in our youth by having important mentoring conversations with them, and listening to their concerns. Our commitment is to create a model that will encourage high-school students across our nation to ask questions of heroes in their community.

We look forward to discussing this project in depth with you and working with you on a concern that is close to all of our hearts. In order for you to learn something about us, we have enclosed a tape of a radio program we participated in after Littleton. We have also enclosed a sample set of questions and answers from Christin and Alana. Thank you for your time and consideration.

With Respect,

Anne Brown

Anne Brown, RN,CS
Radio Host and Family Therapist

Tom Farrell, MA
Superintendent of School, Aspen School District

Edgell F. Pyles, Ph.D
Chaplain, Snowmass Chapel

Send standard regret -
Signed by me or Melanne
Shirley,
you refer them
to me new
campaign. HRC
can't do. to
you agree? no ✓

CHRISTIN COOPER

Born October 8, 1959 Los Angeles, Ca Raised Sun Valley, Idaho
Current Resident Aspen, Co
Married to Mark Tache(U.S. Ski Team 1978-85/U.s Pro Tour 1986-92)

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

Eight-year member U.S. Ski Team and World Cup Team: 1977-1984
Two-time Olympian: 1980-1984
Two-time World Championship Team member: 1978,1982
Triple Medalist-World Championships-Schladming, Austria: 1982
Silver, Slalom; silver, Giant Slalom, bronze, Combined
Olympic Silver Medalist-Giant Slalom-Sarajevo, Yugoslavia: 1984
Winner of five World Cup races: 2 Slalom, 1 Giant Slalom, 2 Combined
Third in World Cup Giant Slalom standings: 1982
Six-time U.S. National Champion: Slalom: 1977, 1980. Giant Slalom: 1980, 1984
Combined: 1977, 1980
Inducted into U.S. Ski Hall of Fame: 1984
Honored by the World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame: October, 1995
(for traveling to the besieged city of Sarajevo during the height of the Bosnian war to found, with Spirit of Hope, a "Summer Sports for Sarajevo Youth" program
1991-Hired by CBS as an expert analyst to cover the women's World Cup, three winter olympic games (Albertville, Lillehammer, and Nagano, and three World Championships.

Dear Alana,

Hi! Thanks for thinking up such thoughtful and insightful questions. I do believe one of the secrets to an interesting life is the ability to ask interesting questions.

I hope I haven't run on too terribly, but I tend to do that. I seem to be constitutionally incapable of single-sentence answers. Things just don't seem that condensable to me. I'm a Libra too, so that could have something to do with it. Always looking at things from numerous points of view, and seeing some value in every one of them. (It's maddening when shopping for a simple pair of pants).

Anyway the notion of a well-lived life (and how to make one) is a pretty compelling subject. Much to be learned by just considering it.

I'm curious if my thinking will connect with you: you never know whether one person's take on life will hit home or leave a person cold, shrugging their shoulders, shaking their head. But I've found that even when I can't relate to the details of someone else's life or the choices they made, there's usually some universal threads woven through.

It's been an honor to spend some time with your questions. I learned a little more about myself, and the way my life has gone so far and what I believe to be true.

It makes me think that everything we need to know is all around us, either already within or just hanging around, waiting to be plucked, considered, embraced, rejected. We just have to have our eyes open and be willing to trust that what comes our way is just what we needed.

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Love, Christin

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ALANA MONGE

BIOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Born [REDACTED] (b)(6) Lived in Aspen 10 years [001a]
Will attend Santa Clara University, California
Sister Leeza(22), Sister Maggie(20), Brother Eddie(15)
Varsity Softball and Track
Valedictorian
National Honor Society
Earth Group President
Outdoor Enthusiast, Camper, Hiker, Runner, Snowboarder
Choir, MAC, Peer Support Group
Piano (6 years)
Camp Counselor Roaring Fork Field Study Summer 99

1. When you were 18, did you predict what you would be doing today? Was your prediction right or wrong?
2. Are you happy with how you are living your life today?
3. Have you kept in touch with friends from high school and/or college? If so, how have you done this, and was it hard? If not, why did you lose contact?
4. How did you know when you'd met the person who was right for you to spend the rest of your Life?(sic) Do you believe in love at first sight?
5. What regrets do you have about how you spent your college years, or your early twenties? What would you have liked to do differently?
6. Who is your role model/hero, and why?
7. What is the most important piece of advice that has helped you in your life, that you could give to young people?
8. What has been the greatest challenge that you have faced in your life, and how did you overcome this challenge?