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27665 RIVER LANE
FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN 48134
DECEMBER 23, 1994

SOCKS "THE FIRST CAT"
% THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20006

HELLO SOCKS:

I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE MYSELF TO YOU. MY NAME IS MOUSER, AND I LIVE WITH A VERY FINE FAMILY IN FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN. I AM 14 YEARS OLD AND I HAVE HAD A VERY GOOD LIFE. I AM GLAD TO SEE THAT YOU FINALLY MADE IT TO THE WHITE HOUSE AFTER ALL THOSE DOGS KEPT RUNNING THE PLACE. IT IS TIME THAT A GOOD CAT HAD HIS PLACE OF HONOR.

I SAW YOUR PICTURE IN THE PAPER TWO DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS, AND MY FAMILY READ IT TO ME. I DON'T READ THE FINE PRINT VERY GOOD, ANYMORE. I WOULD SEND YOU A CHRISTMAS CARD, BUT BY THE TIME IT WOULD GET TO YOUR HOUSE THE HOLIDAY WOULD BE BELATED.

I WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE IF YOU WOULD SEND ME YOUR AUTOGRAPHED PICTURE. I WILL SHOW IT TO MY FAMILY. I AM SURE THEY WOULD BE IMPRESSED THAT I HAVE WRITTEN TO SOMEONE IN A PLACE OF IMPORTANCE.

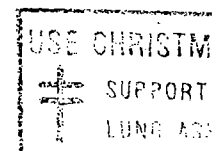
I AM HAVING A HARD TIME GETTING THIS COMPUTER TO PUT DOWN MY WORDS. I KEEP GETTING MY CLAWS CAUGHT BETWEEN THE KEYS.

RESPECTFULLY,

MOUSER "THE CAT"

MOUSER

27665 RIVER LANE
FLAT ROCK, MICHIGAN 48134



SOCKS "THE FIRST CAT"
% THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 2006





The Foundation For Prevention Of Alcoholism Inc.

A LEARNING EXPERIENCE

July 4, 1994

SOCKS
c/o Mr. and Mrs. William Clinton
Office of Correspondence
Room 94
THE WHITE HOUSE
Washington, D.C. 20050

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Dear SOCKS,

Several weeks ago we wrote to you and requested your picture. In less than two weeks we received your picture which you had autographed with your paw print.

We thank you very much. Your picture has been placed into a very nice 8" x 10" picture frame and has taken a predominant spot with pictures of other feline friends.

You might like to know that because of your quickness in responding to our request...well, we consider this an act of efficiency...we have decided to abandon our political attachment of being classed as **INDEPENDENTS** and have decided to become **"DEMO-CATS"**.

We hope you approve of our decision.

This letter has been written for us by "our" leader.

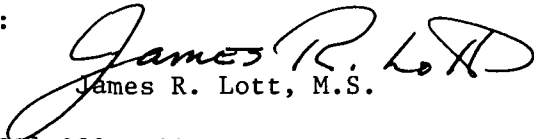
Sincerely,

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George (the Calico) Daphne (the Persian)

by:

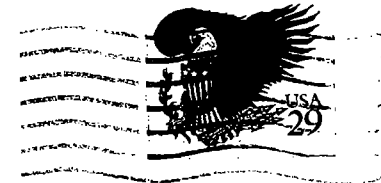

James R. Lott, M.S.

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James R Lott Sr
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Roanoke, VA 24018-0131



SOCKS

c/o Mr. and Mrs. William Clinton
Office of Correspondence
Room 94
THE WHITE HOUSE
Washington, D.C. 20050





15723 Rolling Ridge Road
Omaha, NE 68135
December 24, 1994

Dear Socks Clinton,

My name is Uhane Nani, which is Hawaiian for "Beautiful Soul". I am a longhaired miniature Dachshund and I am one and a half years old. I am writing you because I think that you are the greatest. I am not like other dogs, I would rather play with you than make you into a mat for my kennel. I wish you could visit me at my home so we could play football or catch the ball! I really love you and think you are the greatest first pet ever! Have you ever considered running for office? You are nicer than Milly Bush and cuter too!!!! Please write me back. I would love to have your paw print. Have a Merry Christmas and a great New Year! You're the Best!!!!

Sincerely,
Your **Biggest** (not meaning my size) Fan,
Uhane Nani



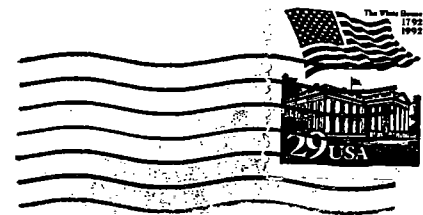
(Please say "Hi" to Chelsie for me Socks! Thanks a lot!- Hani)

merry
christmas
to the
hinton
family!
(especially sodes!)



by,
mallory
prucha
(hani's master)

Uhane Nani Prucha
18723 Rolling Ridge Road
Omaha, Nebraska 68135



Mr. "Socks" Clinton
c/o White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

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Socks Clinton
c/o The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Socks,

I am a 10 month old calico (daintly spotted, with a Cindy Crawford-esque beauty mark on my nose). I and my owners, Brian and Jennifer Hudson live happily in Lynchburg, Virginia.

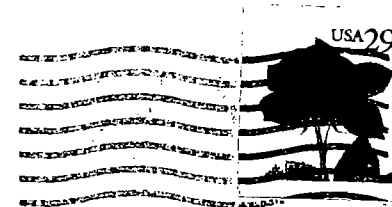
Its great having a 'first cat', especially after Millie (a canine.. yuk). I send you loads of kitty purrs and a couple of meows for the new year!

Your friend,



Kipper Hudson

KIPPER HUDSON
85 COUNTRY PLACE LANE
LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA 24501-6736



'SOCKS' CLINTON
C/O THE WHITE HOUSE
1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20501

421 W. 56th St. APT 2A
New York, NY 10019

December 20, 1994

Dear Socks,

Thanks for the picture. My apologies for spelling your name "Sox" in my last letter. Sorry I haven't written back sooner. I am writing now, because I thought you might be feeling a little depressed after the election of all those pit bulls to Congress. I want to remind you that even though they may be in a position of power; at heart, they remain frightened little puppies afraid someone is going to steal one of their bones.

The most important thing to remember is that you will lose the respect of your true constituency if you try to bark like a dog. There are a lot of proud felines out here who look to you for an example; how do you think we feel when you wag your tail, sit up and beg? The canines will never accept you as one of them, we were the ones who elected you in the first place. If you're in the dog house now, it's because you were acting too much like one of them. Stop eating dog biscuits! Fish is much better for you and it's a lot less fattening.

The best thing you can do now, is to be yourself; act like a feline. When you feel your hackles going up, don't be afraid to hiss and show your claws. You've taken on the dogs before and managed to come through with most of your fur intact. A cat's best strategy is to climb to the highest ground and let the dogs chase around in circles biting off their own tails. Let them bark themselves hoarse trying to jump up to your level. If you remain above the fray, they will end up attacking one another and exhausting themselves.

Keep your eyes open and your claws sharp; when the wolf pack appears at your door, don't let them catch you napping. A few good whacks on their noses will send them yelping away with their tails between their legs. If you're tough and fair, the electorate will know; no matter how much the corporate sponsored, network news distorts the public record. Besides, the spectacle of reactionary pit bulls tearing each other to pieces, will play to the grandstands of the media circus. There's nothing the networks like better than free entertainment.

Keep grooming yourself and gathering strength for the next act - when the big cats show their stuff. You'll have to jump through fiery hoops and roar from the bottom of your soul. Just remember: you've done it before...

Your Friend and Admirer,

Archie J. Clinton

A.J. CLINTON

c/o R. Nichols
421 W. 56th St.
New York, NY 10019



SOCKS CLINTON
1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVE
WASHINGTON, DC 20500



PHYLLIS B. HOROWITZ
P.O. Box 539
Phoenicia, NY 12464
(914) 385-3092

December 18, 1994

Socks
The White House
Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Socks:

Don't you just love these envelopes. It's wonderful that you could use your considerable influence to persuade the Post Office people to show some small respect for the most wonderful of species. Thank you so much.

Are you aware that some towns in this country actually charge their residents more for a dog (ugh) license than for a cat. Wow! Seems to me they should actually pay people to keep one of those nasty yappy things. What can be done to correct this gross injustice.?

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Phyllis".

Phyllis B. Horowitz

P.S. I've enclosed a photo of a modest snow sculpture we made last winter.

Phyllis Horowitz-McLane
P. O. Box 329
Phoenicia, NY 12464-0329



Socks
The White House
Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

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Mrs. Dorothy L. Lewis
672 E. Southland Dr.
Radcliff, KY 40160-9604

May 28, 1996

Dear Sacks,

I'm writing because
I want your paw print
& tell you that I have
a container of cat food
that looks like you.

The container sits on
the living room at the
end of the couch.

I also saw an article
in V.F.W. magazine which
I am enclosing. Enjoyed
it very much.

Be a good cat. Give the
president & his lady my
best wishes.

— Thanks,
D. Lewis

Dear Socks:

White House correspondence includes the family cat

If fan mail is any indication, Socks the celebrity cat is one of the White House's most popular residents. For one who has been privy to Socks' correspondence and has even met – face-to-whisker – the famous feline, Gwendolyne Brown feels privileged to be a White House volunteer, a position she's held since retiring from the federal Housing and Urban Development Agency (HUD).

"My husband calls me a professional volunteer," said Gwen, National Patriotic Instructor and Past President, Department of District of Columbia. "When I left my government career, I chose to be selective about volunteering. One thing I knew I didn't want to do was answer the phone. I'd had enough of that at HUD where, for a time, I answered problem calls from across the country. People would complain about the pickiest things, like vacuum cleaner cords being too short to reach the outlet."

It was an announcement in her church bulletin asking for volunteers to help with the volume of White House mail that piqued Gwen's interest. But she found that applying for a volunteer job in the White House involved more than just showing up at an appointed time. She was interviewed and asked to supply character references, before she was cleared for the job. She promised to work 16 hours a month and, for security reasons, swore not to divulge specific contents of the mail.

What prompts the American people to write the White House?



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Thank you for writing to me. I am honored to be your "First Cat".



Socks

"From reading the newspaper headlines, volunteers can usually predict the themes of the day's mail, from Whitewater to Bosnia to the State of the Union message," Gwen explained. "The one constant theme in the mail throughout the Clinton administration has been Hillary's hairstyles."

In the mail operation, Gwen has sorted, categorized and entered addresses into the computer. When working with categorized mail, she opts to read and code correspondence addressing veterans' issues.

As a White House volunteer, Gwen finds that not every minute is spent with mounds of mail in the room set aside for volunteers in the Executive Office Building. She has also become a volunteer "extra" for presidential photo opps.

"When the President returns to the White House in the presidential helicopter, volunteers gather round and wave so the television cameras can record bystanders greeting the president," Gwen chuckled. "I've found a perfect place to stand, on the jogging path – so my heels don't sink into the grass."

Another perk for White House volunteers is being included on the White House Christmas card list.

"Receiving the official Christmas card is a thrill," affirmed Gwen, who is considering framing the cards for a wall display.

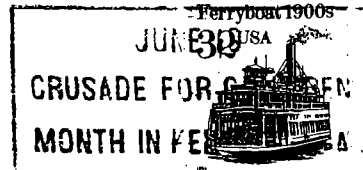


Mrs. Dorothy L. Lewis
672 E. Southland Dr.
Radcliff, KY 40160-9604

VFW Auxiliary June 1996



Mrs. Dorothy L. Lewis
672 E. Southland Dr.
Radcliff, KY 40160-9604



attn:
Awen
Brown

First Cat Socks
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20515



R E G I O N

8 Lives Left, 5 Cats Get New Homes

By DOUGLAS MARTIN

The world can seem an endless story of bad luck and pain, and then, suddenly, something extraordinary happens. A heroine emerges, a young mother named Scarlet.

On March 30, Scarlet, a calico cat, carried her five kittens, one by one, from a burning garage, inspiring the Brooklyn firefighters who saw it. They took the injured cats to the North Shore Animal League in Port Washington, L.I. Scarlet was a mass of raw burns, gasping for breath. The kittens could not open their smoke-damaged eyes.

For three months, they healed, though one kitten died. News reporters worldwide followed the cats' progress, and more than 7,000 people wrote letters. Yesterday was the happy ending.

Scarlet and her four living kittens were adopted after the cats' keepers had read 1,200 letters from people asking for them. The mother and the kittens went different places, partly because of a feeling that Scarlet might prefer to be alone.

"We've spoiled her rotten," said Bonnie Brown, North Shore's chief veterinarian. "She's like a queen, a diva. And she's certainly earned some peace and quiet."

The woman who got Scarlet is Karen Wellen, who works in a coffee shop and does freelance writing. Scarlet will live in Ms. Wellen's parents' house in the Marine Park section of Brooklyn, with frequent visits to her Greenwich Village apartment.



Associated Press

Scarlet, who saved her offspring from a fire, in the arms of her new human, Karen Wellen, at the North Shore Animal League yesterday.

Ms. Wellen's letter referred to her own painful recovery from a car accident seven years ago, as well as the death of a cat her family had had for 21 years during her recuperation.

"The physical and emotional pain I have endured through these years has made me a more compassionate person," she wrote. "And I vowed that if I ever allowed another cat to enter my life, it would be one with special needs."

Two kittens, Smokey and Oreo, went to Debbie and Nick Palmarozzo, who live in Miller Place, L.I. He is a construction supervisor and she is a model. They have two cats, 8 and 15 years old, who Mrs. Palmarozzo says will not be pleased. To keep fur from flying, Mr. Palmarozzo has

built a 10-foot-high cat condo, filled with cat toys, that might be popular with everyone.

The other two kittens, Samsara and Panuki, went to Jinette Vercillo of Port Washington, who visited them many times in the shelter.

Her letter to Scarlet included a drawing of five cats balancing on one another to raid a goldfish bowl. "We have been following your heroic and brave behavior on the radio, on TV and in the newspapers," it said.

Perhaps the day's brightest moment for Ms. Wellen came when she took Scarlet into her new home and ushered her to a brand-new litter box. She immediately used it.

"That," Ms. Wellen said with a laugh, "is a very good start."

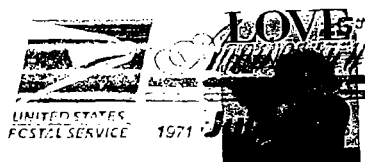


Dear Socks

I'm hoping you get
to stay in your
House another four
years.

Love, Scarlett

Wellen
82 Horatio St.
NYC 10014



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SOCKS
The White House
Washington, DC



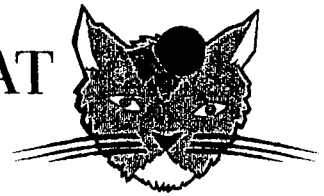
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Fellow Cat Lover



TO: SOCKS , THE FIRST
CAT OF AMERICA



TO THE WHITE HOUSE CAT



Dear Socks ,
How are ya doing ? I'm fine .
What is your favorite room in the
White House ? What is your
favorite sleeping area ? What is
your favorite toy ? How many
hours a day do you sleep ? How
old are you ? Do you like your
owners ? Do they treat you well
? Do you think you'll be first cat
for another four years ? I don't
have a cat , but I used to . I have
a dog now . He's very sweet ,
but very stupid . I like cats better

**CATS
RULE
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DOGS
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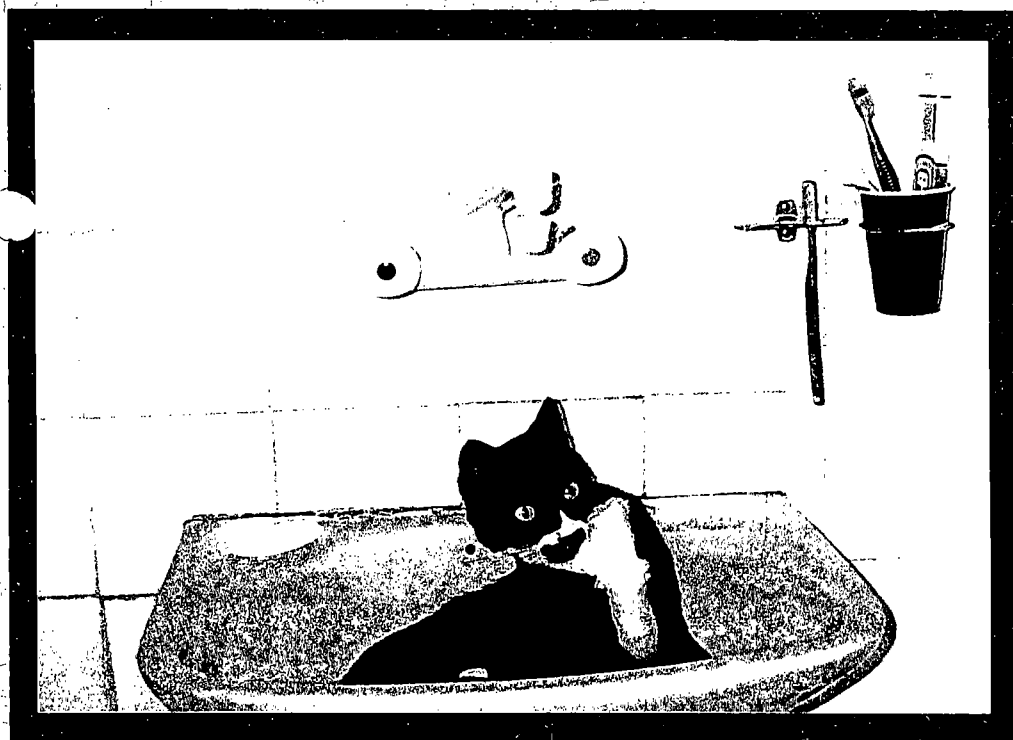
Shalom Socks! my name is RIKI... X 26.3.96

I was just taking a bathe when my attender (by the way her name is Leora) Surprised me and took this photo of me & showed me your picture from a very small paper cutting, so naturally that made me honored to look similar to the "first cat" so I got Leora to write to you and send my photograph P.S (or pssst) please could you send us an answer and perhaps a photo too!

all the best and lots of
Love from all the cats
& kittens from my neighborhood!

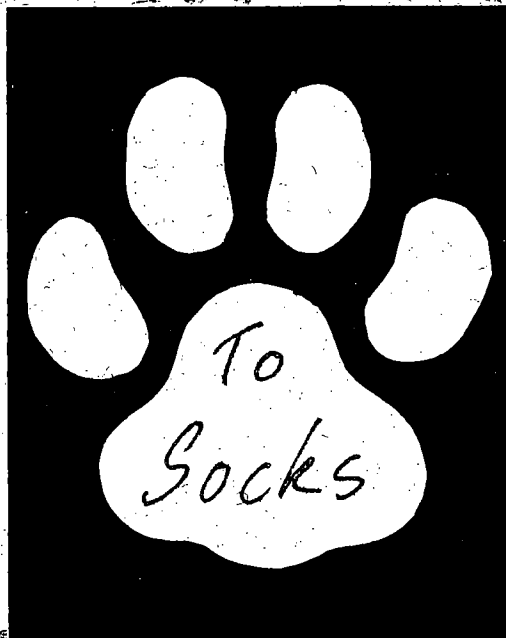
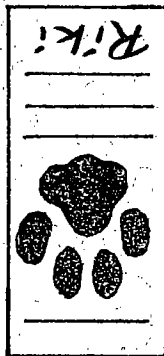
LEORA FRANCO
Misgav st. 12/24
(Maravit)
Karmiel 21801
ISRAEL

Please write to:



hand made by Leona Brown

1996



BY AIR MAIL

please do not bend!
(card)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW,

Washington DC 20500

U.S.A (To socks)!



Leora Franco, Misgav st 12/24 (Marauit)
Karmiel 21801 ISRAEL



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please do not bend!

APRIL 14, 1996

Socks Clinton
Washington, D.C.



Dear Socks:

All us neighborhood cats in Downey, California, are so proud that you're in the White House, and we were wondering if we could please have an autographed photo of you for our very own. We'd appreciate it very much.

We're sure President Clinton couldn't have done as good a job as he has so far without your top-notch advice, and we wish the media would give you more credit for your fine contributions to our country.

In case you'd like to know what your fellow citizens are thinking during this election year, we'd like to see the sardine declared as the "National Fish," and we'd like a law written that says everyone must purr for at least one minute each day, even Sen. Dole! "Mandatory Purr" could really cheer up our country quickly, don't you think? So, please pass this message on to the Prez.

Thanks for your time, Socks, and we look forward to receiving your photo soon!

From your fluffiest fans,

Smoky
Snowball
Iddy
Squiddy
and Senior

P.S. We can't read too well (yet), so maybe you should address your response to us in care of:

*STARR DA MAUER
8569 LUBEC ST.
DOWNEY, CALIF. 90240-3342

*STARR will make sure that we get it!

STARR DAMAUER
8569 LUBEC ST.
DOWNEY, CA 90240-3342



THE WHITE HOUSE
ATTN: SOCKS CLINTON
1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVE.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20500





31-12 79th St.
Jackson Hts., NY 11370

March 26, 1996

Socks, THE FIRST CAT
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Socks,

We don't know if you got our first letter which we wrote in January of 1993, since we never received a reply. But, we are the felines that wrote to you congratulating you on your elevation to FIRST CAT. We also gave you some hints about how to conduct yourself while in the White House.

We are wondering what ever happened to you. We have not heard or read anything about you since you were banished to the basement. Is it true? What in the world did you do that is so bad that they had to banish you? If you were banished for scratching on furniture, shame on them, not you. Don't your people know about scratching posts? Don't you have one or two of your own? They should have provided you with a scratching post. We have ours and we don't scratch on the furniture. We cannot think of anything else that would be so bad as to warrant your banishment from the White House proper.

How is the White House staff treating you? We hope that they have finally gotten used to having a First Cat instead of First Dog. It is really refreshing to know that one of our kind is the preeminent animal in the White House.

We know that hundreds of children must miss you when your humans appear on television (we cats don't have masters and mistresses; we consider humans to be on a par with us).

How do you like The White House? Would you rather be back in Little Rock? Don't worry. In 2001, you will be back. Do you know if any of the Republican leaders have cats, or are they all dog lovers?

By the way, were you responsible for putting those records on the table next to Mrs. Clinton's bedroom? Are you responsible for writing Primary Colors?

Please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Mookie and Lady Cat Seligman

SELIGMAN
31-12 79th ST.
JACKSON HTS NY 11370



Socks, THE FIRST CAT
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, DC 20500





Marilene Fernandes
Rua João Marques Garcia, 29
São Paulo-SP / Brazil
02242-050

São Paulo, April 1st, 1996

THE WHITE HOUSE
Washington, DC 20500
U.S.A.

Ref.: SOCKS

Dear Sirs,

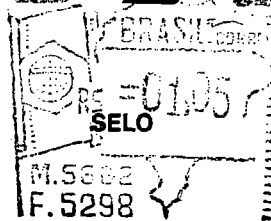
I am very fond of animals, I have a siamese cat, and I know the President has one cat also, whose name is Socks, so I would like to receive a card or a photo of Socks. Some months ago, I read an article in the Brazilian newspaper about Socks and they said it was possible to receive it by writting.

I hope you attend my ask.

Thank you very much in advance,


Marilene Fernandes

DM



TO
THE WHITE HOUSE
Washington, DC 20500
U. S. A.

Ref: SOCKS

PAR AVION



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Remetente

Endereço

Maria Luíza Fernandes
Rua João Marques Garcia, 6
São Paulo - SP
Brazil

02242-050

6, 314V

Abteilung FS Unterhaltung
Zeichen Va
Tel. 04 21/246 2396
Fax 04 21/246 2396
Datum 29. Januar 96

RADIO BREMEN 28353 Bremen

ANSTALT DES ÖFFENTLICHEN RECHTS

First Cat
Socks Clinton
White House
Washington D.C.
USA

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Hörfunk, Intendanz, Verwaltung

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Telefon 04 21/246-0
Telex 2 45 181 · Telefax 246-10 10

Fernsehen

Hans-Bredow-Straße 10
28307 Bremen
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Telex 2 46 131 · Telefax 246-20 10

Bankverbindungen

Bremer Landesbank (BLZ 290 500 00)
Nr. 1 071 310 003
Postgiroamt Hamburg (BLZ 200 100 20)
Nr. 779 46-209

Dear First Cat,

my name is Gooselinde Baroness of Clüversborstel. I am a goose and the showgirl of a tv-production named Bremens Pet Shop (German title is Bremens Tierladen). This is a tv-show which presents homeless animals to find new loving families for them. We also present a lot of lonely cats there and often find new homes for them.

I always admired you at the newspapers and journals. So I wanted to ask you if you would be so kind to send me a photograph with signature of yourself as a sign, you like, what I am doing. I would be so proud of a photo of you! Herewith I send you one of mine -without signature, because I cannot write by hand. Sorry!

Sincerely yours

GOOSELINDE BARONESS OF CÜVERSBORSTEL

REDAKTION BREMENS TIERLADEN

RADIO BREMEN TV

**Pakete, Päckchen und Postgüter
bitte an die jeweilige Hausadresse
schicken.**

Wir bitten alle Zuschriften ausschließlich
an RADIO BREMEN (PLZ 28353)
und nicht an Privatpersonen zu richten.



Gooselinde Baronesse

of Cliversborstel

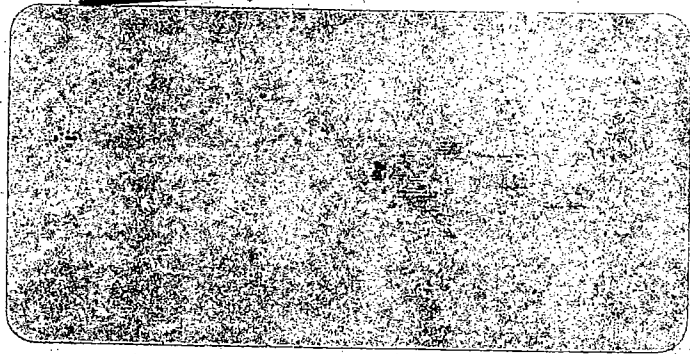
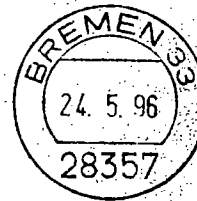


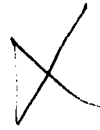
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**MIT LUFTPOST
PAR AVION**

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Dear Socks,

How's things going? Everything purring right with you. Tell your masters hello for me.

What are you doing about cat rights? Now that you are in the White House, maybe we could start a Catgress. We could vote for big fish dinners for ourselves, have pages to empty our cat litter, and argue on television. They have a network for us already. It's called C-Span.

It must be great being visited by cats from all over the world. Tell me, "Do cats from India have those little red dots on their foreheads?"

Heard any good dog jokes lately? I got one for you. Why do dogs chase cars? It's because they are too dumb to drive! I hear Toots from Saturday Night Live is now a race car driver. Yea, he's driving in the Catatonic 500.

I have just one request to make. Could you please send me a autographed picture of you? My address is:

Smokey

103 Fremont Drive

Summerville, SC 29483

Well hang in their.

Your feline friend,
Smokey

Smokey
103 Fremont Dr.
Summerville, SC
29483



Socks
I/c White House
Washington, DC
20500



1519 Colony Drive
Rock Hill, SC 29730
May 21, 1996

Mr. Socks Clinton
White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Socks:

At last, a cat in the White House. It's about time. And a democrat to boot. I have been meaning to write this congratulatory letter for ages but have been very busy hunting, sleeping, scratching furniture--you know, being a cat.

I wanted to write when Miss Hillary was pushing for health reforms. Although I personally hate shots, I think a health plan for pets is vital.

When Jennifer Whats-her-name is giving Mr. Bill a hard time, I just want to scratch her to pieces.

Whitewater...Really! Aren't there more important things to worry about like, well, cats?

I personally think your human is doing a fine job. What an honor it must be for you to help him serve. Your job is to simply show up, use your box and don't scratch the dignitaries.

What I do is very humble compared to your job, but I do my best at writing to family and friends. I have trained my humans to shake hands. I spread JOY throughout the neighborhood by walking on folk's cars, sharing their cat's food and um, fertilizing their gardens. JOY takes place in many surprising forms.

I could go on and on about me. But I won't since the purpose of this letter is to let you know I am on your side. Take good care of the President and say meowllo to Miss Chelsea.

Your fan,

Clyde Farewell

PS: My family takes in foster cats and readies them for adoption through Adopt-a-Pet in Rock Hill.
Pretty neat huh?

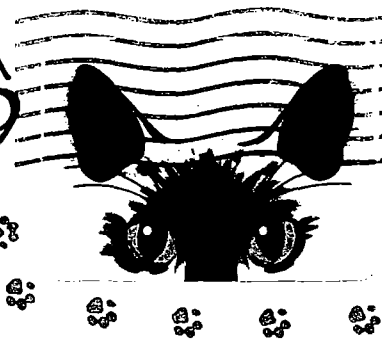
Clyde
1579 Celony Dr.
Rock Hill, SC 29730



Mr. Socks Clinton
White House
Washington, DC 20500



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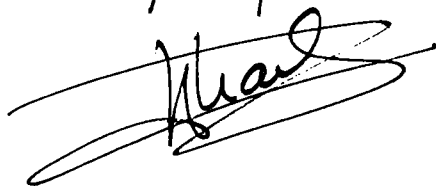
~~Colours~~ May 6th,

Dear Socks,

I am Nicolas' English teacher and I wanted to add a few lines to his letter just to tell you he is really looking forward to hearing from you. As you can notice he is very good at drawing; you might know of another or other gifted cats in the US and perhaps you could bring them into contact. I would feel very grateful if you gave him useful addresses in Washington or in other places.

Thanks a million

Sincerely yours



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Nicolas CHACCOUR

10, allée de l'Aubrac 31 770 Colomiers FRANCE

HELLO Socks!



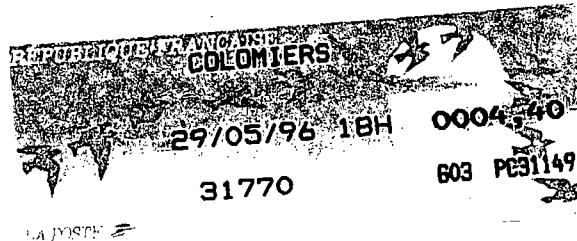
Looking forward to seeing you
perhaps and to receiving your
reply for sure,

Running Cat

P.S : IF YOU WRITE ME BACK, TELL ME WHICH ÉPISODE
"X-FILES" YOU HAVE ON T.V. IN U.S.A NOW.

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White House
(for Socks)

Washington

U.S.A.



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Dole: Let's send Socks back to Little Rock

Candidate hits Clinton hard on crime issues

BY KATHARINE Q. SEELYE
New York Times

LOUISVILLE — Although the number of murders committed across America has dropped, Bob Dole said yesterday that the country was still not safe because of the liberal oratory and inaction of President Clinton.

Addressing a rally outside police headquarters in Omaha, Dole declared: "Unlike the liberals, I don't think society is to blame for crime — I think criminals are to blame for crime. In my view, killing is caused by killers, robbing by robbers; drug-dealing by drug-dealers. That's what it's all about."

Later, at a rally here with the Kentucky State Republican Party, Dole continued his attack on Clinton with a warning of what another four years of a Clinton administration would bring:

"All the liberalism he can think of and all his wife can think of will come bubbling to the surface, and we can't stand it. We can't handle it. You can't stand it. You can't handle it."

Then the dog-owning candidate declared, "We're going to send Socks back to Little Rock," referring to the first feline. "We're going to put a leader in the White House. I have a schnauzer named Leader."

Dole, the presumptive Republican presidential nominee, has been striving lately to portray what his campaign calls the "credibility gap" between Clinton's comments and his actions. He did so again yesterday.

"Sure, President Clinton talks tough on crime, but his rhetoric doesn't match his record," said Dole. "He claims he's putting 100,000 cops on the street, but the real number is only a fraction of that. He downgraded the drug czar's office and cut funding for drug interdiction. Narcotics prosecutions by the Clinton Jus-



It's been said

'We're going to send Socks back to Little Rock. We're going to put a leader in the White House. I have a schnauzer named Leader.'

BOB DOLE

Referring to the first feline. The presumptive Republican presidential nominee and dog owner was addressing a Kentucky State Republican Party rally in Louisville yesterday. A 5.

Bob Dole lays a wreath at a memorial for fallen headquarters, yesterday morning.

tice Department have dropped significantly. And he appointed a surgeon general who believed the best way to deal with drugs was to legalize them."

George Stephanopoulos, an adviser to Clinton, said by telephone from Washington that Dole was off the mark on several points.

"President Clinton has a solid record of putting cops on the street and taking guns off, despite Senator Dole's opposition every step of the way," Stephanopoulos said, noting that Dole did not mention his "commitment" to the National Rifle Association that repealing the ban on assault weapons was one of his priorities.

"Next week, 43,000 of the 100,000 cops will be on the street and funded," Stephanopoulos said. Dole and other Republicans fought Clinton's measure to pay for the police, instead offering block grants for communities to fight crime in any way they chose.

Stephanopoulos also said that federal drug prosecutions increased 13 percent from 1994 to 1995 and that the administration achieved an 84

percent conviction rate in 1995.

Dole took credit for pushing "Megan's Law" through the Senate. It allows law-enforcement officials to notify people when a convicted sexual predator moves into the neighborhood. But the measure was supported overwhelmingly by most

members of Congress, and President Clinton.

Dole said he would not across the country varied to abolish parole for convicted of violent crimes supports trying juveniles mit serious violent crim

Socks "The First Cat"
300 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC

April 26, 1996

Fluke
809 Mount Road
Burlington, NJ 08016

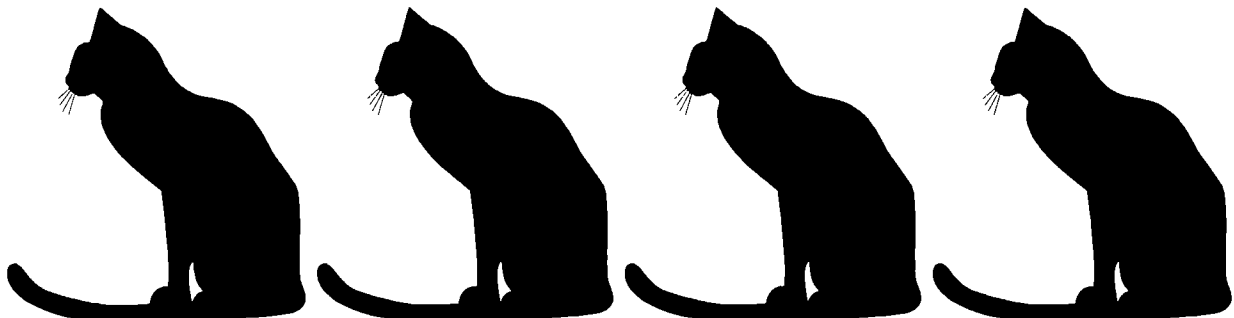
Dear First Cat Socks,

My name is Fluke and like you, I have white socks front and back. My humans named me after a summer flounder, it was the only name they could agree upon. I wanted to write to tell you how proud I am of you representing us felines in Washington, DC. You have performed admirably in your duties as first cat, because like me, I believe you have been neutered and declawed. I also am not allowed outside unless I have my leash on. My humans say it is for my protection, but I know its because they love me lots. I am an only cat too, so we have lots in common. I hope to hear from you soon and look forward to having you in the White House for another 4 years. Say hello to Chelsea and Bill and Hillary for me too.

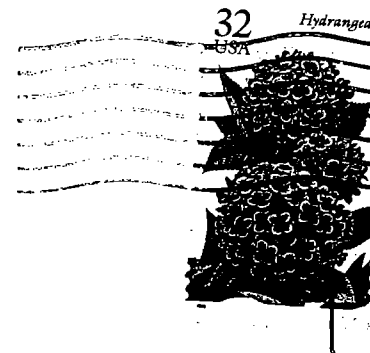
Sincerely



Fluke Golding



G Mr. and Mrs.
Robert A. Golding
809 Mount Rd.
Burlington, NJ 08016



The White House
Socks - "The First Cat"
300 Pennsylvania Ave
Washington DC
20500



Pirkko Lindström
Hämeenpuisto 38 A 13
33200 TAMPERE
FINLAND

3.7.1996

Socks - Cat
c/o
President Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington
USA

Dear cat Socks!

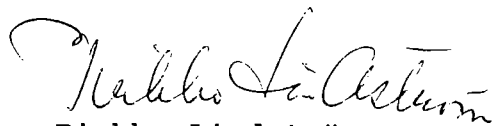
Best wishes from the beautiful summer of Finland. This year is supposed to be a very good year of mice and moles. Unfortunately your hostfamily hardly serves you these luxury delicacies to eat. Let's give pleasure to the owls.

I am award of your correspondence with Humphrey cat. I also have changed letters with Hymphrey cat and now I have photos on my wall of both of you two most famous "top cats" in the world.

When you purring lie on your comfortable sofa, I send you and your secretary warm thoughts from Finland, because you made my dream come true of having the photo of the "first cat" of United States. Sometimes it seems that there is nothing but sorrow and troubles in the world. This kind of correspondence proves anyhow that there is also humanity and joy which can be seen as positive attitude and enormous mental activity to life.

I will thank you and wish you all the best for the coming years.

Catlike regards


Pirkko Lindström

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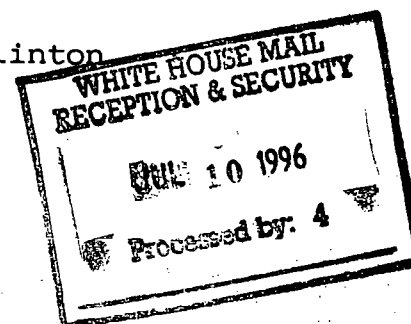
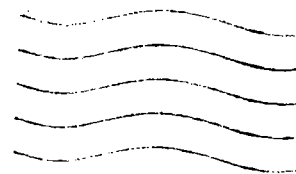


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Socks - Cat
c/o
President Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington
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James A. Gottlieb
545 Moorland Road, Apt. 103
Madison, WI 53713

December 27, 1994

Socks the Cat
First Cat
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear Socks,

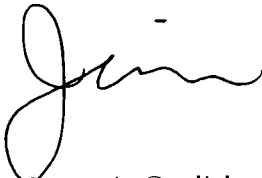
'Hope that you had a nice Christmas and got lots of nice catnip toys to play with when you're not preoccupied with matters of state.

Please come to Wisconsin for a visit sometime, perhaps during the 1996 campaign. We have plenty of cows here and you can have all the milk and dairy products that you want. I understand that Bill likes ice cream which is also plentiful out there.

When you come, we'd like to have you speak at the vet college on the challenges associated with being the first cat to occupy the first cat pet position since the Carter administration and any discrimination that you may have experienced because you are not a dog.

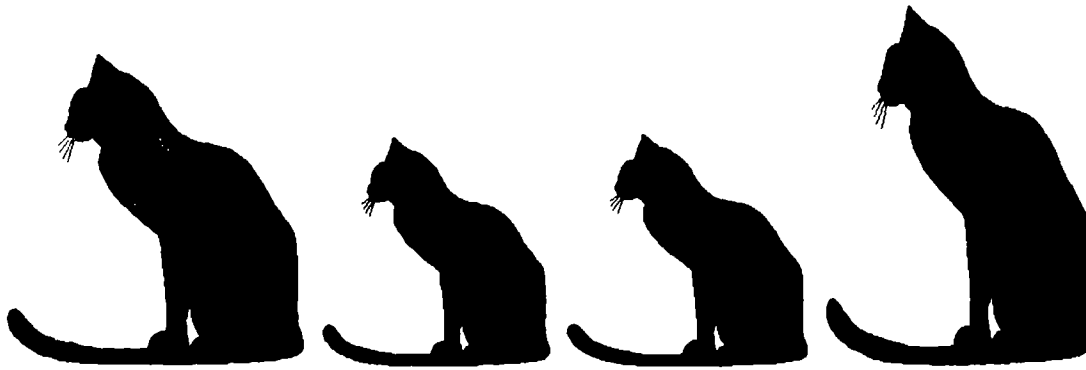
You are an inspiration to us all Socks. Wisconsin voted for Bill in 1992 and will again in 1996 with your help. Have a wonderful year and be careful not to drink too much egg nog at the White House new years party!

With best regards,


James A. Gottlieb

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JOYCE McCLELLAN 1014 MAPLE STREET HORICON, WI 53032



December 23, 1994

Dear Socks,

My name is CHARLI. I live with a Grandma and Grandpa. They have loved and enjoyed a lot of our fellow cats over the years. I'm probably the prettiest and best one ever, though!

Take good care of our White House and everyone in it.

Happy Mousing!

Charli

***From the Desk of
Miss Elsa Harrington
1403 Winchester Street
Fredericksburg, Virginia 22401***

The Honorable Socks Clinton
c/o The Greetings Office
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

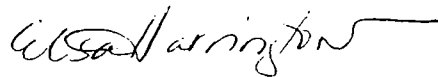
Dear Socks Clinton:

My name is Elsa Harrington and I am an all-American tabby living in Fredericksburg, Virginia. I think you are doing a terrific job as First Cat and want you to know you have my full support in 1996. My human parents are Carla and Win Harrington, who disagree often with each other about politics but never about the fact that the White House is a better place now that it has a First Cat!

Please give my regards to the Clintons (especially Chelsea, whom I'm told is the No. 1 cat lover in your family). Also, may I make a suggestion for the President? I believe the press corps would be much kinder to him during news conferences if you attended, as it is a known fact that our species can charm even the most cynical reporters.

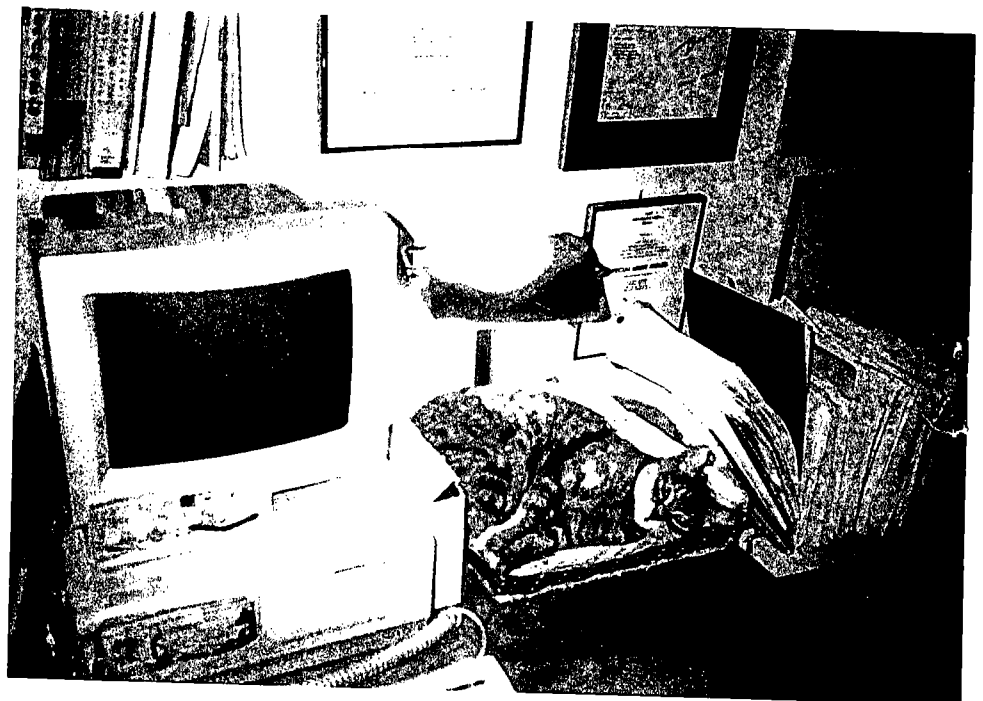
Warmest meows and purrs to you and you family,

Miss Elsa Harrington



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enclosure: photo



Miss Elsie Harrington

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150 Van Buren Drive
Abington, MA 02351-2921
March 11, 1994

Socks "First Cat"
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Socks:

I think it is great to have a cat in the White House. Cats have been getting a bad rap for years. I am glad you are behaving yourself (except for occassional scratching) and showing everyone how great cats are. Remember: Cats rule and dogs drool.

Sincerely,

Sue Donovan

ODE TO SOCKS

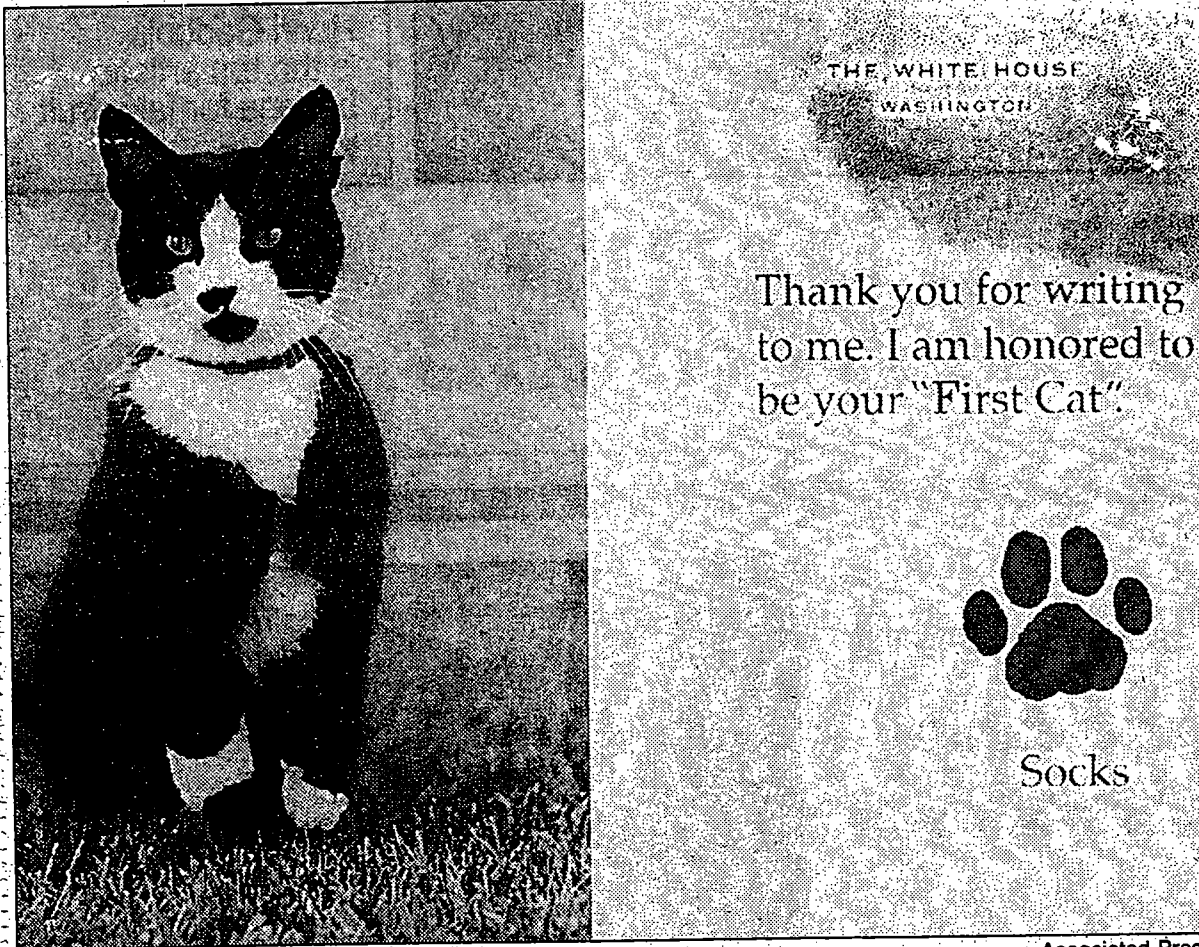


We read in the paper if we'd write to you, Socks,
You would send us your picture done up in a box
With your own autograph and a paw-print or two,
And possibly tied with a ribbon of blue.
We are six feline fans and admirers of you,
Two of us wearing a tuxedo, too.
Three are attired in our black ties and tails,
(will you pardon us now while we sharpen our nails?)
The sixth is a clone of finicky Morris, the star,
But we all are quite happy right here where we are.
So a photo of you we would gladly accept,
For you are our hero- and truly adept.
For what other cat has achieved such acclaim?
For to dwell in the Whitehouse is sure to bring fame
For your protocol, dignity, tact and elan.
You have played 'round the feet of the "Royalty" clan!
You are ever most diligent your duty not to shirk,
Tho we know your requirements don't include mouse-work.
So please do us this favor, six new friends you have found,
And we're ever so grateful, and eternally bound
To be singing your praises to all who will hear
As we wish you a MEOWY CHRISTMAS and a PURR-FECT NEW-YEAR!

Signed: Fritzi, Mitzi, Polyester, Poodiddly, Meatball & Morris
Better known as the "Bat-Cats."

Please send pic C/O Cathy Batson, 13525 Woodchester Dr.
Sugar Land, Texas 77478

Newsmakers



Associated Press

Socks Clinton is a lot of mail, and fans who write get this oversize postcard in response.

Socks' mailbox runneth over

Allan "Tugboat" Gordon, a retired Navy chief petty officer, handles the mail for the presidential cat, and he takes his self-proclaimed title of "Secretary to Socks" seriously.

Gordon presides over the "Socks Corner" of the sun-splashed room at the U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home in Washington, which has served since January as the volunteer-run White House Auxiliary Mail Room.

While he waited for a special visitor, Gordon showed off the hundreds of cat photos that cat lovers have sent Socks, thumbed through the albums with his favorite letters to Socks and bragged of the three visits Socks has made to see the mail room in operation.

Soon he was showing his treasured "cat books" to first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, who had come to say a personal thank you to Gordon and the scores of volunteer veterans who have sorted and responded to letters sent to members of the president's family over the past two years.

As of last weekend, the veterans had handled 1,018,998 pieces of mail.

At Socks Corner, Gordon read one of his favorite letters from fans: "Dear Socks: Come to Colorado and I'll take you mouse hunting."

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C F Batson
13525 Woodchester Dr
Sugar Land TX 77478-2452



To SOCKS, The Whitehouse Cat

C/O The White House

Washington, D.C. 

Grandma helped us write to you.
We want to wish you and
your family a Happy New
Year.

Sincerely, Snoops and Sty
C/o Larry & Kathy Rednick
4712 Lighthouse Road
Orlando, FL 32808

Greetings to "The First Cat,"

Our names are Snoops and
Sty and we are twin tabby cats.
We are 10 years old and live
with Kathy and Larry.

We know that you are "The
First Cat" and that you are
very important. We also know
that you live in a big white
house and that your family
is as important as you are.

Did you ever hear the Legend
of the "Tabby"? It seems that
when Baby Jesus was born, his
mother fed him and wrapped
him up warm and when he
went to sleep Mary put him
in the manger and was al-
most asleep herself (because
she was very weary). But then
Baby Jesus began to cry and
Mary rocked him and sang
to him and patted his little
back and unwrapped his clothes

tighter about him and still Baby
Jesus cried. As Mary fretted and
wondered what to do, she noticed
a tabby cat come and sit in
front of her and that tabby cat
began to wash herself all over,
and that took awhile, and still
Baby Jesus cried. Tabby cat con-
tinued to cleanse herself and licked
every hair into place and then
she jumped up and lay down at
Baby Jesus's feet. Took the warmth
of her furry body and the
steady rhythm of her soft purr
lulled Baby Jesus to sleep.

Next morning as the baby
continued to sleep, the cat jumped
down to the floor and prepared
to leave the stable. Just as she
walked past Mary, Jesus's mother
reached down and began to
rub the cat's head. And as
she did so, beautiful lines ap-
peared on the tabby cat's forehead.
And that is why, to this day,
every Tabby Cat is born with
a beautiful "M" on its forehead.

Frederick
4712 Lighthouse Row
Orlando, FL 32808



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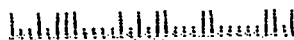


CHRISTMAS



Elizabeth Siani, 1863
National Museum of Women in the Americas

To: Socks "The First Cat"
40 White House
Washington, D.C.
20006



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5-1-1994
Bloomfield Hills
Mich.

Dear Sock's,

Seen that the new Republican Congress brewing some troubles for you I felt that I'm sorry to read in the news, but I'm a cat lover and you have my unwavering support all the way for you and for all the Clintons in the white house now and in the years to come, You're beautiful!

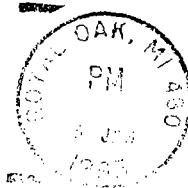
Yours truly, Sevim Ibrahim

SEVIM IBRAHIM.

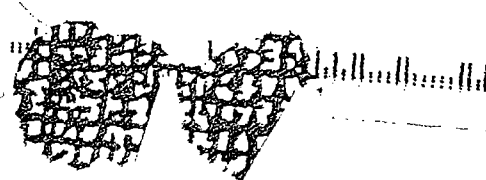
P.S. Please sent me your picture post card so I can show proudly to my friends and foe's ~~of~~ (Republicans) alike.

To make them [↓] feel more envious or miserable which they feel already, I think.

MRS. IM IBRAHIM
3672 MIDDLEBURY
BIRMINGHAM, MI 48019-2440
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301



TO SOCKS
WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.



Dear Boots,

I would like to wish you a "Happy New Year"! I am a cat lover and have many friends that are cat lovers as well. I heard about you and your secretary who answers your mail on N.P.R. this morning. It sounds like you have a wonderful life in the White House. I'm sorry you've been banned from the East Wing! Sometimes humans don't understand that furniture is so much fun to climb and play around on!

I would love a picture of you. If possible, could you send us two pictures, one made out to Matt and one made out to Beth. I would really appreciate this as these two friends of mine love cats as much as I do!

Thanks for your time! I hope that they will reconsider the ban in the East Wing!

Sincerely,

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Anchorage, Alaska

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Boots "The Cat"
% White House
Washington D.C.

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December 23, 1994

X

Socks Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington D.C.

Dear Socks,

I have just read in our local paper (my people place it strategically under my litter box), that you do answer mail sent to you. I would be most honored if you would respond to my letter. I think it is terrific that you have all that space to roam and rein. Myself, I have just moved in with my owner's daughter and her family. Quite nice and loads of room. (We moved up from a mobile home with just the two of us to a large colonial home with two teenage boys in residence) My only complaint is that they have a small canine in residence. A miniature long-haired dashound, which is actually my size. Well, the first day I let him know that he can't push me around. We have since called a truce.

By the way, I am a tortoise, female feline and in good shape if I do say so myself. Keep up the good work there in The White House and send my a picture, if you would please.

Merry Christmas!!!

Ginger Goodling

2510 DALLAS AVE.
ROYAL OAK, MI 48067



SOCKS CLINTON
THE WHITE HOUSE
1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVE.
WASHINGTON D.C.

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Burlington Comprehensive Counseling, Inc.

75 WASHINGTON STREET
MT. HOLLY, NEW JERSEY 08060
267-3610

December 23, 1994

Socks - The First Cat
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Socks:

Holiday greetings to The First Cat. I don't have a cat but I feed the neighborhood cat; Blitz. I thought that showing kindness to Blitz was good because Blitz is an outdoor cat. Are you an outdoor cat or an indoor cat? ~~Do you sleep with the President and First Lady or with Chelsea?~~ Do you eat hard cat food or soft canned cat food? I feed Blitz hard puppy food that the merchant at the feed store gives me. Sometimes, the neighborhood dogs eat what I put out for Blitz. Sometimes, BlueJays eat what I put out for Blitz. But Blitz is a very smart cat. She meows at me to get my attention when she sees me out and about in the yard. That way, she makes sure that I give her something to eat. I pet her and she meows and I feel good about feeding her.

Please write me back with the answers to my questions and give my best wishes to the Clintons.

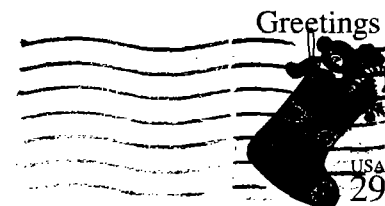
Your truly,

Fred A. MacDonald

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MT. HOLLY, NJ 08060-1712



Socks - The First Cat
The White House 20020
Washington, DC ~~20000~~



23 December 1994

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SOCKS CLINTON
The First Cat
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Socks:

Normally I'm a dog and bird person, but you are one cute cat.

Would appreciate it if you would send an autographed picture of yourself for my grandson, Justin.

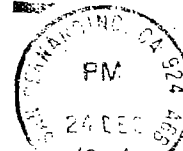
Thank you so much and tell your 'Dad' he will have my vote again in 1996.

Have a HAPPY NEW YEAR and be on the lookout for 'Newt's' in the grass.

Sincerely,

Elaine Foster

Elaine Foster
P. O. Box 111312
Big Bear Lake, CA 92315



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SOCKS CLINTON
'THE FIRST CAT'
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C. 20006



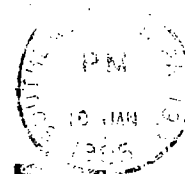
'Socks' Clinton
The Cat House
1600 Kitty Cat Ave.
Washington, CAT 20510

Dear Socks,

You are so cute. I would like to
pet you someday. Is that okay?
Maybe I could sleep over
someday? Do you think that might
work out? I sure do. Just have an
FBI agent drive you over here.
Then we could go to a movie.
Sound good?

Sincerely,
Rachel Watkins

*Rachel L. Watkins
1202 Mallard Rd
West Chester, PA 19382*



**Socks Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, DC 20510**



X

K.C.Rakes
1609 Summercourt Dr.
Jonesboro, GA 30236

Dear Socks,

I am a fellow feline. My real name is "Kitty Cat" but I go by K.C. I have been with the Rakes Family for the past 18 human years. I was so excited when those dogs left, and a cat was finally in the White House. I am originally from Mississippi and wathched your rise to the position of First Cat. All us cats down here in Georgia love you. You represent all cats so well and we couldn't meow for more. Thanks.

Sincerely



K.C. Rakes