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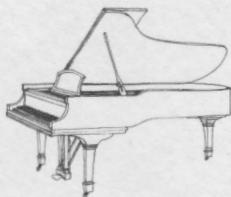


IN HONOR OF
HIS EXCELLENCY
DR. URHO KEKKONEN
PRESIDENT OF FINLAND

THE WHITE HOUSE
TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1976

GEORGE SHEARING

PIANIST



By the time English-born George Shearing was twenty-one, he had already established himself in London as a top star in supper clubs, and his recordings there were on the best-seller lists.

In 1947 Shearing and his wife came to the United States to reside and later to become American citizens. Two years after their arrival, Shearing organized his first quintet for the now-historical LP recording which included a number called "September in the Rain." That album launched what is now called "the Shearing sound"—unique, suave—the kind of sound that enchants audiences and inspires the highest admiration from professional colleagues. Subsequent recordings, many of which have become collectors' items, as well as personal appearances made the group a nationwide sensation. Since then Shearing's name has many times topped every trade paper, disc jockey and jazz poll of any significance—some as many as seven times!

Such has been the impact of "the Shearing sound" that whether he and the quintet are guest artists with major American symphony orchestras, whether he delights the supper club night owls as soloist or with the group, he has been proclaimed the No. 1 pianist in over a dozen nations including Japan, Australia, Germany, France and South Africa.

In addition to 26 half hour segments of "The George Shearing Show" for nationally syndicated television featuring the quintet and top guest vocalists, Mr. Shearing has made numerous TV guest appearances and has been the subject of a one hour special for National Educational Television.

Shearing was born blind. This fact possibly has made him all the greater musician. With an ear of extraordinary sensitivity, he has composed and arranged an enormous amount of music. The result is artistry of the first magnitude.





DINNER

BV Beaufort
Pinot
Chardonnay
1973

Suprême of Red Snapper

Louis
Martini
Cabernet
Sauvignon
1971

Tournedos with Mushroom Sauce

Carrots and Grapes

Broccoli Timbale

Mrs. Keenan

Watercress and Hearts of Palm

Vinaigrette Salad

Brie Cheese

Valeri Sou

Schramsberg
Blanc de Blancs
1973

Fresh Peach Mousse

Macaroons

Demitasse

The White House
Tuesday, August 3, 1976

ORIGINAL RETIRED FOR PRESERVATION

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 3, 1976

FOR: MRS. FORD
FROM: MARIA DOWNS *M*
SUBJECT: State Dinner in Honor of President
Kekkonen of Finland - August 3, 1976

Attached for your review and approval is the proposed seating plan for the Head Table.

Thank you.

P.S.

*Included are Susan &
Jack's folders too -*



HEAD TABLE

Amb. Mark Evans Austad

Mrs. Kissinger

H. E. The Minister for Foreign Affairs

MRS. FORD

H. E. Dr. Urho Kekkonen
President of Finland

THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Tuominen
Wife of the Amb. of Finland

The Secretary of State

Mrs. Mark Evans Austad

H. E. The Ambassador of Finland

(Entrance)



TABLE 5

Miss Ford

Mr. H. Holmes Ellis

Mrs. H. Holmes Ellis

Mr. Sanford N. McDonnell

Pres. & CEO, McDonnell-Douglas Corp., St. Louis

Mr. Edgar Bergen

Mrs. C. Langhorne Washburn

Wife of V.P., Walt Disney World Showcase

Gov. James Rhodes (Ohio)

Mrs. Dewey Bartlett

Wife of Senator from Oklahoma

Mr. Carl Lindner III

Son of Carl H. Lindner and works for his father who
is Publisher of the Cincinnati Enquirer



TABLE 4

Mr. Jack Ford

Miss Susan Marks

Mr. Tony Orlando

Mrs. William N. Cafritz

Wife of Pres., Wm. Cafritz Development Corp.

Mr. C. Langhorne Washburn

V.P., Walt Disney World Showcase

Mrs. George Gorton

Mr. George Gorton

Miss Carol Murphy

Daughter of Mrs. Rockefeller and guest
of Sandy Laughlin

Mr. Sandy Laughlin

Miss Francesca Hilton

Daughter of Zsa Zsa Gabor and Conrad Hilton



For immediate release

August 2, 1976

THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

The President and Mrs. Ford will host a Black-tie dinner in honor of His Excellency Dr. Urho Kekkonen, President of the Republic of Finland, Tuesday, August 3rd, at 8:00 p.m. in the Rose Garden at the White House.

Guests will arrive through the East Wing and will be received by President and Mrs. Ford and President Kekkonen in the East Room on the State Floor.

American Indian pottery from the collection of the Department of the Interior will be featured in the centerpieces on the round tables. Dried and fresh flowers in shades of corals, apricots and golds will be used to accent the colors of the pottery pieces. Flowers include Sonya roses, Gerbera daisies, Meykii fern and statice and other dried grasses.

Tables will be covered with light beige tablecloths and set with the Johnson china, Morgantown crystal and Monroe vermeil flatware.

Bill Dove and Robert Shaeffer of Dove Flowers of Washington, D.C. have donated their time to coordinate the decorations. The pottery is on loan from the U.S. Interior Department.

Following dinner, George Shearing, pianist, will entertain in the East Room. The Marine Dance Combo will provide music for dancing in the State Dining Room after the entertainment.

The menu: Supreme of Red Snapper, Tournedos with Mushroom Sauce, Carrots and Grapes, Broccoli Timbale, Watercress and Hearts of Palm Vinaigrette Salad, Brie Cheese, Fresh Peach Mousse, Macarons and Demitasse.

The wines: B V Beaufort Pinot Chardonnay, Louis Martini Cabernet Sauvignon 1971, and Schramsberg Blanc de Blancs.

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For immediate release
Monday, August 2, 1976

THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

The President and Mrs. Ford have invited George Shearing, pianist/composer/arranger, to entertain at the State Dinner Tuesday, August 3, in honor of His Excellency President Urho Kekkonen of the Republic of Finland.

This will be Mr. Shearing's first appearance at the White House.

Shearing, congenitally blind, discovered his piano talent when he found he could duplicate songs from the crystal radio set on the piano. He studied music at the London School for the Blind and started his professional music career in British pubs. He was a jazz name in England at 21.

In 1947, Shearing moved to America. His booking at New York's Birdland was later memorialized by his famous "Lullaby." By 1949, the Shearing Quintet was well-known in the U.S. The group has toured Europe, Japan, Australia, South America and the West Indies.

Shearing has devoted many summers to teaching jazz techniques, arrangement and ensemble playing at the University of Utah workshop and the Chautaugua Institution. He also enjoys classical music, with Bach and Mozart being two of his favorites. Shearing has performed as a soloist with symphony orchestras, including those of Cincinnati, Baltimore, St. Louis, Utah, Boston Pops, Detroit and Denver. He is currently continuing his performances with symphonies and at community concerts.

Since his first recording with Leonard Feather in the 1930's, Shearing has cut albums with Nat King Cole, Peggy Lee, Billy Eckstine and Nancy Wilson.

Among Shearing's many awards was a Doctorate of Music from Westminster College in Utah in 1975. In 1976 he was nominated for an Emmy Award for his music composition of the PBS documentary on guide dogs for the blind, "Out of the Shadows into the Sun," which he also narrated.

Shearing, one of nine children, was born August 1919 in London. He has one daughter and lives with his wife, Ellie Geffert, in San Francisco.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

DINNER IN HONOR OF
HIS EXCELLENCY DR. URHO KEKKONEN
PRESIDENT OF FINLAND

August 3, 1976

8:00 p. m.

Dress: Black tie . . . long dresses for the ladies

Arrival:

- 8:00 p. m. . . . at North Portico Entrance . . . President Kekkonen, The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black.
- You and Mrs. Ford will greet.
- Photo coverage of greeting.

Yellow Oval Room:

- Secretary and Mrs. Kissinger; Minister for Foreign Affairs Kalevi Sorsa; American Ambassador and Mrs. Mark Evans Austad; and Foreign Ambassador and Mrs. Leo Tuominen will assemble just prior to the 8:00 p. m. arrival of President Kekkonen and The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black.
- Approximately 8:10 p. m. . . . all guests except President Kekkonen will depart at this time . . . Color Guard will request permission to remove Colors.

Grand Entrance:

- Approximately 8:12 p. m. . . . descend Grand Staircase preceded by Color Guard.



- Pause at foot of staircase for official photograph (President Kekkonen to your right ... then Mrs. Ford).
- Color Guard reforms and procession moves to red carpet facing East Room ... pause for Ruffles and Flourishes and announcement ... take receiving line positions (President Kekkonen to your right ... then Mrs. Ford).
- Follow Color Guard into East Room when "Hail to the Chief" is played.

Receiving Line:

- Take position just inside door of East Room ... Ambassador Black will present your guests.
- After receiving line, proceed through the Blue Room to the South Portico and down the steps ... follow guests into the Rose Garden.

Dinner:

- Rectangular head table ... round tables
- No press coverage of dinner ... toasts will be piped to the press ... transcripts will be released to the press -- there will be press photo pool coverage and mini-camera coverage.

After-Dinner:

- 10:00 p. m. ... guests proceed from the Rose Garden through the driveway and up the steps to the South Portico Balcony to the parlors for demitasse, liqueurs, and cigars. You and Mrs. Ford will escort President Kekkonen up the steps to the South Portico Balcony and into the Red Room where you will visit informally with your guests.
- 10:05 p. m. ... after-dinner guests will form a receiving line. You, Mrs. Ford and President Kekkonen (President Kekkonen to your right ... then Mrs. Ford) will receive the after-dinner



guests from a position in the Grand Hall between the Blue Room and Green Room doors -- a Military Social Aide will present your guests -- guests will proceed to the East Room and take their seats.

Entertainment:

- After the guests are seated, you will enter the East Room through the center door and seat Mrs. Ford and President Kekkonen.
- You proceed to the stage which will be located along the center of the east wall of the East Room and introduce Mr. George Shearing.

NOTE: Suggested remarks (Tab A).

- At the conclusion of the performance, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President Kekkonen to the stage to thank Mr. George Shearing.

NOTE: There will be press coverage of the entertainment, including mini-camera coverage of your introduction, first and last portions of the program, and of your thanking Mr. George Shearing. Also, there will be photo coverage.

- After you have thanked Mr. George Shearing, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President Kekkonen to the State Dining Room for dancing.

Departure:

- You, Mrs. Ford, The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black escort President Kekkonen to the North Portico.
- You and Mrs. Ford may wish to return for dancing or return to the Family Quarters.
- There will be champagne, mixed drinks and dancing for the guests who remain.



NOTES:

- The dinner and after-dinner guest lists are attached (Tab B).
- A suggested toast is attached (Tab C).
- Military Social Aides will be present.
- White House photographer will be present.
- Army String Ensemble will be playing in the East Wing Garden Room as your dinner and after-dinner guests arrive.
- Marine Harpist will be playing in the Ground Floor Hall area as your dinner guests arrive.
- Marine String Ensemble, Woodwind Quintet and Harpist will be playing in the west end of the Rose Garden during dinner.
- Army Chorus will sing during dessert.
- Marine String Ensemble will be playing in the Grand Hall while your dinner guests are being served demitasse, liqueurs and cigars and during the time you are receiving your after-dinner guests.
- Marine Dance Combo will be playing in the State Dining Room.
- An interpreter will be present.

Maria Downs



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 2, 1976

FOR: MRS. FORD

FROM: MARIA DOWNS *MD*

SUBJECT: State Dinner in Honor of President
Kekkonen of Finland - August 3, 1976

The following items are attached for your review and information:

1. Scenario (for your review and approval)
2. Dinner and After-Dinner Guest Lists
3. Regret List

Thank you.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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PRESIDENT OF FINLAND

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Maria Downs



Guest list for the dinner to be given by the President and Mrs. Ford in honor of His Excellency Dr. Urho Kekkonen, President of Finland, on Tuesday, August 3, 1976 at eight o'clock, The White House

His Excellency Dr. Urho Kekkonen

President of Finland

His Excellency Kalevi Sorsa

Minister for Foreign Affairs

His Excellency The Ambassador of Finland

and Mrs. Tuominen

Dr. Kauko Sipponen

Secretary General for the Chancery of the President

Professor Pentti I. Halonen

Personal Physician to the President

Commodore Bo Klenberg

First Aide-de-Camp to the President

Mr. Paavo Rantanen

Director for Commercial Affairs, Ambassador

Dr. Klaus Tornudd

Deputy Director for Political Affairs, Ambassador

Mr. and Mrs. Arto Tanner

Counselor, Embassy of Finland

Mr. Jaakko Blomberg

Assistant Director for Political Affairs

Mr. Seppo Kauppila

Secretary for Section

The Secretary of State and Mrs. Kissinger

The Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Kleppe

The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development

and The Honorable Roderick M. Hills

The Honorable William T. Coleman, Jr.

Secretary of Transportation

The Honorable Theodore F. Stevens and Mrs. Stevens

U. S. Senate (Alaska)

The Honorable Dewey F. Bartlett and Mrs. Bartlett

U. S. Senate (Oklahoma)

The Honorable James A. McClure and Mrs. McClure

U. S. Senate (Idaho)

The Honorable Wendell H. Ford and Mrs. Ford

U. S. Senate (Kentucky)

The Governor of Ohio and Mrs. Rhodes

The Honorable Harold T. Johnson and Mrs. Johnson

House of Representatives (California)

The Honorable Roy A. Taylor and Mrs. Taylor

House of Representatives (North Carolina)

The Honorable John Anderson and Mrs. Anderson

House of Representatives (Illinois)



The Honorable Charles A. Mosher and Mrs. Mosher
House of Representatives (Ohio)

The Honorable G. William Whitehurst and Mrs. Whitehurst
House of Representatives (Virginia)

The Honorable Bill Frenzel and Mrs. Frenzel
House of Representatives (Minnesota)

The Honorable C. W. Young and Mrs. Young
House of Representatives (Florida)

The Honorable Brent Scowcroft
Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

The Honorable Mark Evans Austad and Mrs. Austad
American Ambassador to Finland

The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black

The Honorable William T. Kendall
Deputy Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs

The Honorable Charles Leppert, Jr. and Mrs. Leppert
Deputy Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs

The Honorable Edward C. Schmults and Mrs. Schmults
Deputy Counsel to the President

The Honorable Larry M. Speakes and Mrs. Speakes
Assistant Press Secretary to the President

The Honorable Raymond P. Shafer and Mrs. Shafer
Counsellor to the Vice President

Major Robert E. Barrett, USA
Army Aide to the President

Bishop and Mrs. John H. Adams
Presiding Bishop, 10th Episcopal District,
African Methodist Episcopal Church, Waco, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Rolland C. Allen III
R. D. Allen, Investments, Corpus Christi, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Andes
Chairman, Franklin Mint, Franklin Center, Pennsylvania

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Bailey
Bladensburg, Maryland
(former Legislative Advocate, United Brotherhood of
Carpenters & Joiners of America)

Mr. and Mrs. Davitt S. Bell
President, Edgewater Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bergen
Entertainer, Los Angeles, California

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Binger
Chairman, Honeywell, Inc., Minneapolis, Minnesota

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Burns
West Hartford, Connecticut

Mr. Stephen G. Burrows
Fashion designer, New York, New York



Mr. and Mrs. William N. Cafritz
Bethesda, Maryland - Pres., Wm. Cafritz Development Corp.

Mr. and Mrs. William S. Campbell
President, Campbell Insurance Company, Boise, Idaho

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Carroll
President and Chief Executive Officer, Lever Brothers Company, NYC

Mr. and Mrs. Albert V. Casey
President and Chairman, American Airlines, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Chino
President, National Tribal Chairmen's Association, Mescalero, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Cox
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Craig
President and Chairman, Booth Newspapers of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Mr. and Mrs. John D. deButts
Chairman, American Telephone & Telegraph Company, NYC

Dr. and Mrs. Martin Diamond
Professor, Department of Political Science, University of
Northern Illinois, Decatur

Miss Paula Dorkka
YLE (Finnish Broadcasting Corporation)

Dr. and Mrs. Robert S. Eliot
Director, Division of Cardiovascular Medicine, The University
of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha

Mr. and Mrs. H. Holmes Ellis
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Krome George
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Aluminum Company of
America, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Green
Portland, Oregon

Mr. and Mrs. George Gorton
Solana Beach, California

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fanelli
President, BIPAC, Washington, D. C.

Miss Bethann Hardison
Guest of Mr. Stephen Burrows

Mr. Martin Hoffman
President, Wilton Caterers, Spring Valley, New York

Mr. Milton Hoffman
Riverdale, New York

Dr. Vaino A. Hoover
President, Finlandia Foundation, Inc., Santa Monica, California

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Hunter
Patterson, Louisiana



Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Immke, Jr.
Upper Arlington, Ohio

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph J. Jalkanen
President, Suomi College, Hancock, Michigan

Miss Joana Johnston
Guest of Mr. Nicholas Thimmesch

Mr. and Mrs. Horace C. Jones
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Burlington Industries, Inc., NYC

Mr. Lauri Karen
Helsingin Sanomat (daily newspaper)

Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Kennedy
Chelsea, Vermont

The Honorable Horace R. Kornegay and Mrs. Kornegay
President, The Tobacco Institute, Washington, D. C.

The Honorable George Latimer and Mrs. Latimer
Mayor of St. Paul, Minnesota

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander M. Laughlin
Vice Chairman, Jesup & Lamont, Inc., New York, New York

Mr. Sandy Laughlin
Washington, D. C.

Dr. and Mrs. Allan C. Levey
Oral surgeon, Potomac, Maryland
President, University of Michigan Alumni Club

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Linnell
Auburn, Maine

Mr. ~~and Mrs.~~ Carl H. Lindner
President and Chairman, American Financial Corporation,
Cincinnati, Ohio

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Loye
Wheat Ridge, Colorado

Mrs. Helena Makinen
Guest of Mr. Martin Hoffman

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey C. Mansfield, Jr.
Professor, Department of Government, Harvard University,
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. McCaffrey
WMAL-AM Radio, Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford N. McDonnell
President and Chief Executive Officer, McDonnell-Douglas Corp.,
St. Louis, Missouri

Mr. and Mrs. William A. McKenzie
Attorney, McKenzie & Baer, Dallas, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip A. Montalvo
Attorney, Lebanon, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Mumma
President, Pennsylvania Supply, Inc., Hummelstown, Pa.

Miss Carol Murphy
Guest of Mr. Sandy Laughlin



- Dr. and Mrs. Jack Neff
Chairman, National Historical Foundation, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Nipson
Executive Editor, Ebony Magazine, Chicago, Illinois
- Mrs. Jackie B. Oberg
President Ford Committee Chairman for Alaska
- Mr. and Mrs. John J. O'Donnell
President, Airline Pilots Association, Washington, D. C.
- Mr. and Mrs. Gary K. Olsen
Executive Director, National Jogging Association, Washington, D. C.
- Mr. and Mrs. Tony Orlando
Entertainer, Los Angeles, California
- Dr. and Mrs. R. Marlin Perkins
Host, "Wild Kingdom" TV series, St. Louis, Missouri
- Mr. and Mrs. I. Lee Potter
Chairman, Republican Boosters Club, Arlington, Virginia
- Dr. and Mrs. John E. Roberts
Alexandria, Virginia
- Mr. James E. Roper
Guest of Miss Ellen Wadley
- Mrs. Albert Salmi
Wife of actor, "Petrocelli" TV series, Los Angeles, California
- Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Sarnoff
Retired Chairman, RCA Corporation, Mrs.--opera singer Anna Moffo
- Mr. and Mrs. George Shearing
Pianist
- The Reverend John Smettler and Mrs. Smettler
Wings of Truth Baptist Church, Highland Park, Michigan
- Mr. Harold Byron Smith
Chairman, Executive Committee, Illinois Tool Works, Chicago
- Mrs. David Smith
Daughter-in-law and guest of Mr. Harold Byron Smith
- Mr. and Mrs. Marvin D. Stahl
Belmont, Michigan
- The Honorable Charles S. Stenvig and Mrs. Stenvig
Mayor of Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swallow
President, American Indian National Bank, Washington, D. C.
- The Honorable James L. Taft, Jr. and Mrs. Taft
Mayor of Cranston, Rhode Island
- Mr. Nicholas P. Thimmesch
Columnist, Los Angeles Times
- Mr. and Mrs. R. David Thomas
Chairman, Wendy's International, Inc., Columbus, Ohio
- Mr. and Mrs. Al Unser
Auto racer, Albuquerque, New Mexico



Mr. ~~and Mrs.~~ Bobby Unser
Auto racer, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Miss Ellen Wadley
President, Washington Press Club

Mr. Russell H. Ward
National Broadcasting Company

The Honorable C. Langhorne Washburn and Mrs. Washburn
Vice President, Walt Disney World Showcase, Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore H. White
Author, New York, New York

Miss Francesca Hilton
Malibu, California

Mr. Marty Allen
Comedian

Mr. Jack Ford
Mr. Carl Lindner III
Miss Susan Ford

The Honorable James A. Baker III and Mrs. Baker
President Ford Committee



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 14, 1976

FOR: MRS. FORD

FROM: MARIA DOWNS *M*

Attached for your review and approval is the proposed guest list for the State Dinner in honor of the President of Finland on August 3, 1976.

Thank you.



Proposed guest list for the dinner to be given by the President and Mrs. Ford in honor of H. E. Urho Kekkonen, President of Finland, on Tuesday, August 3, 1976 at eight o'clock, The White House. Black tie.

The President and Mrs. Ford

His Excellency Urho Kekkonen
President of Finland

Balance of official party - 11

Miss Susan Ford

The Vice President and Mrs. Rockefeller

The Secretary of State and Mrs. Kissinger

The Secretary of Transportation and Mrs. Coleman

The Secretary of HUD and Mr. Hills

Mr. Justice White and Mrs. White

General and Mrs. Fred C. Weyand, USA
Chief of the Staff of the Army (JCS Rep.)

Hon. and Mrs. Brent Scowcroft
Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black (or acting Chief of Protocol)

Hon. and Mrs. Mark Evans Austad
American Ambassador to Finland

The Governor of Michigan and Mrs. Milliken (State)
(State has large Finnish-American community)

The Governor of Minnesota and Mrs. Anderson (State)
(State has large Finnish-American community)



White House

Governor and Mrs. Raymond P. Shafer
Counsellor to the Vice President

Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Schmults
Deputy Counsel to the President

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leppert
Deputy Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs (House)

Mr. and Mrs. Larry M. Speakes
Assistant Press Secretary to the President

Dr. and Mrs. David C. Hoopes
Deputy Staff Secretary

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Kendall
Deputy Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs (Senate)

Major and Mrs. Robert E. Barrett
Army Aide



Congressional (in priority order - from Max Friedersdorf)

- Rep. and Mrs. John Anderson (Illinois)
- Rep. and Mrs. C. W. (Bill) Young (Florida)
- Rep. and Mrs. G. William Whitehurst (Virginia)
- Rep. and Mrs. Joe Skubitz (Kansas)
- Senator and Mrs. Ted Stevens (Alaska)
- Senator and Mrs. James A. McClure (Idaho)
- Rep. and Mrs. Bill Frenzel (Minnesota)
- Senator and Mrs. Clifford P. Hansen (Wyoming)
- Senator and Mrs. Dewey F. Bartlett (Oklahoma)
- Rep. and Mrs. Harold T. Johnson (California)
- Rep. and Mrs. Roy A. Taylor (North Carolina)
- Rep. and Mrs. Charles A. Mosher (Ohio)
- Rep. and Mrs. B. F. Sisk (California)
- Senator and Mrs. Wendell H. Ford (Kentucky)



Press

- Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McCaffrey (President)
WMAL Radio
- Mr. and Mrs. Russell H. Ward (Nessen)
National Broadcasting Co.
- Mr. Nicholas P. Thimmesch (Nessen)
Columnist, Los Angeles Times Syndicate
- Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Craig (Nessen)
Pres. & Chmn., Booth Newspapers of Michigan
- Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Coney (Nessen)
V.P. & Exec. Editor, Wall Street Journal
- Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Wren (State)
New York Times
(has written several recent articles on Finland)
- Mr. (and Mrs) Herbert Nipson (Calhoun)
Exec. Editor, Ebony Magazine
- (2 foreign press persons - names to come from State)

Labor

- Mr. and Mrs. John J. O'Donnell
President, Airline Pilots Association

Academic

- Dr. and Mrs. Martin Diamond (Hartmann)
Professor, Dept. of Political Science, Univ. of
Northern Illinois
- Dr. and Mrs. Eugene V. Rostow (Hartmann)
Professor, Yale University Law School
- Mr. and Mrs. Ralph J. Jalkanen (Baroody)
President, Suomi College, Hancock, Michigan
(only Finnish College in US & active leader in
Finnish-American community)
- Professor and Mrs. Harvey Mansfield, Jr. (Goldwin)
Dept. of Government, Harvard University



Business

- Mr. and Mrs. William S. Campbell (Cavaney)
President, Campbell Insurance Company, Boise, Idaho
(worked hard on President's behalf in Idaho)
- Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Hatfield (Baroody)
Chmn. and Chief Exec. Officer, The Continental Group, Inc.
- Mr. and Mrs. David R. Foster (State)
Chief Executive officer, Colgate-Palmolive Co.
(company does extensive business in Finland)
- Mr. and Mrs. James H. Binger (State)
Chmn., Honeywell, Inc.
(company has licensing arrangement with large Finnish firm)
- Mr. and Mrs. Sanford N. McDonnell (State)
Pres. & Chief Exec. Officer, McDonnell Douglas Corp.
(company has sold numerous aircraft to Finnair)
- Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Hauge (State)
Chairman, Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co.
(company involved in capital loans to Finland)
- Mr. and Mrs. Horace C. Jones
Chmn. and Chief Exec. Officer, Burlington Industries, NYC
- Mr. and Mrs. Harding L. Lawrence
Chmn. and Chief Exec. Officer, Braniff International, Dallas
- Mr. and Mrs. Rawleigh Warner, Jr.
Chairman, Mobil Oil, NYC
- Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Wood
Chairman, Sears, Roebuck & Co., Chicago
- Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Carroll
Pres. and Chief Exec. Officer, Lever Brothers, NYC
- Mr. and Mrs. John D. deButts
Chmn., American Telephone & Telegraph, NYC
- Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Krome George
Chairman and Chief Exec. Officer, Aluminum Co. of America
- Mr. and Mrs. David Thomas (Gov. Rhodes thru Cannon)
Wendy's International, Columbus, Ohio
- Mr. and Mrs. Wesley M. Dixon, Jr. (Timmons)
President, G. D. Searle & Co., Skokie, Ill.



Celebrities/Arts/Sports

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bergen

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Salmi

(State)

Movie-TV actor of Finnish background; star of
Petrocelli television series

Mr. Gene Kelly

Mr. and Mrs. George Kennedy

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Morton (Lucille Ball)

Mr. Merv Griffin

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Gleason

Miss Faye Dunaway

Miss Tammy Grimes

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Orlando

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Belafonte

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Matthau

Mr. Andy Williams

Miss Kate Smith

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sarnoff - R.C.A. Chairman
Mrs--Opera singer Anna Moffo

Mr. Sammy Cahn
Songwriter

Mr. and Mrs. Norton Simon
Mrs--actress Jennifer Jones

Mr. Stephen Burrows
Fashion designer

Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Perkins
TV personality - "Wild Kingdom" host

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wouk
Author



Celebrities/Arts/Sports

Mr. and Mrs. Lorin Maazel
Music Dir., The Cleveland Orchestra

Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Kirstein
Dir., New York City Ballet Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Olsen (State)
President, National Jogging Association

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. F. Hoving
Dir., Metropolitan Museum of Art



Others

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin D. Stahl (President)
Belmont, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Cox (President)
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Rev. and Mrs. John Smettler (Calhoun)
Wings of Truth Baptist Church, Highland, Michigan

Bishop and Mrs. John H. Adams
Presiding Bishop, 10th Episcoapl Dist, Waco, Texas

Hon. and Mrs. C. Langhorne Washburn (Mrs. Ford)
McLean, Virginia

Mr. and Mrs. William N. Cafritz (Mrs. Ford)
Bethesda, Maryland

Dr. and Mrs. Allan C. Levey (Sorum)
Oral surgeon; President of the Univ. of Michigan
Alumni Club for the DC. area

Mr. and Mrs. I. Lee Potter (Congr. Rhodes)
Chairman, Republican Boosters Club

Dr. and Mrs. Richard Leshar (Baroody)
President, Chamber of Commerce of the U.S.

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Bailey (have been invited and accept)
Legislative Advocate, Carpenters Legislative Improvement
Committee, Carpenters' Union (recently retired)

Mr. Sandy Laughlin (Jack Ford)
Student, Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McKenzie (Sen. Tower)

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Reed (Milbank)

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Upham Harris (Milbank)
or

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Morsman, Jr. (Milbank)

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin M. Payne (State)
President, National Geographic Society



Others - continued - 2

- Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Arata (State)
Exec. Vice Pres., Metropolitan Washington Board of Trade
- Mr. and Mrs. Vaino A. Hoover (State)
President, Findlandia Foundation, Inc.
(personal friend of Kekkonen)
- Miss Ellen Wadley
President, Washington Press Club
- Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Allen (Crow)
Corpus Christi, Texas
- Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Parrish (Rumsfeld)
Retired cartoonist, Chicago Tribune
- Mr. and Mrs. Charles Andes (Conger)
Haddonfield, New Jersey
and (to be invited together)
- Dr. and Mrs. Jack Neff (Conger)
Wynnewood, Pennsylvania
- The Mayor of Minneapolis, Minnesota and Mrs. Charles Stenvig
- The Mayor of St. Paul, Minnesota and Mrs. George Latimer
- Mr. Charles Blitzer (Goldwin)
Assistant Secretary for History and Art, Smithsonian
- Mrs. Helvi Sipila
Assistant Secretary General of the UN
(Finnish and a friend of Pres. Kekkonen)



Guest list for the after-dinner entertainment following dinner in honor of His Excellency Dr. Urho Kekkonen, President of Finland, on Tuesday, August 3, 1976 at ten o'clock, The White House

Mrs. Jerry Adams

Staff Assistant to The Speaker of the House

Guest: Mr. Michael L. Reed

Miss Jan Barbieri

White House Press Office

Guest: Mr. E. Barrett Prettyman

Mrs. Kathie Berger

Office of Richard Cheney, White House

Guest: Mr. Daniel DeGoricia

Mr. and Mrs. William F. Blackmore, Jr.

Mrs--Research Asst. to Rep. John Hammerschmidt

Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Canney

Deputy Director & Officer-in-Charge of Finnish Affairs,

Office of Northern European Affairs, Dept. of State

Mr. David Clanton

Special Assistant to Senator Robert Griffin

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Crowley, Jr.

Director, Office of Northern European Affairs, Dept. of State

Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Dearden

Mrs--Secretary to Rep. Robert Michel

Mr. and Mrs. H. James Field

White House staff

Miss Connie Gerrard

White House Press Office

Miss Lynne Grant

Secretary to Senator Hugh Scott

Guest: Mr. Hugh G. Swofford

Mrs. Gerald Griffin

President Ford Committee

Guest: Mr. Edward Terrill

Miss Marilyn Ittner

President Ford Committee

Guest: Mr. David Howell

Mr. and Mrs. Felix V. Jackonen

President, Finnish America Historical Society of Michigan

Colonel and Mrs. Erkki Kaira

Defense & Armed Forces Attache, Embassy of Finland

Mr. and Mrs. Erkki Kivimaki

Counselor, Embassy of Finland

Miss Lois Kovanda

Appointments Secretary to Senator Hugh Scott

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lampe

Arlington, Virginia

Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Low

Mrs--Executive Secretary to Senator Robert Byrd



Mr. and Mrs. Richard Maloy
Correspondent, Thomsen Newspapers, Inc.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Pasek
Bethesda, Maryland

Dr. and Mrs. Stephen H. Rhinesmith
President, American Field Service International, New York, N. Y.

Miss Peggy Sager
President Ford Committee
Guest: Mr. Hamid Abu-jabir

Mr. and Mrs. Richard D. Vine
Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Wade
Correspondent, Donrey News Bureau

Mr. John J. Williams
Staff Director for Rep. John Rhodes

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Williams
Columbia, South Carolina

Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Wolfowitz
Deputy Assistant Director for Plans, U. S. Arms Control
& Disarmament Agency



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

DINNER IN HONOR OF
HIS EXCELLENCY DR. URHO KEKKONEN
PRESIDENT OF FINLAND

August 3, 1976
8:00 p. m.

Dress: Black tie ... long dresses for the ladies

Arrival:

- 8:00 p. m. ... at North Portico Entrance ... President Kekkonen, The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black.
- You and Mrs. Ford will greet.
- Photo coverage of greeting.

Yellow Oval Room:

- Secretary and Mrs. Kissinger; Minister for Foreign Affairs Kalevi Sorsa; American Ambassador and Mrs. Mark Evans Austad; and Foreign Ambassador and Mrs. Leo Tuominen will assemble just prior to the 8:00 p. m. arrival of President Kekkonen and The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black.
- Approximately 8:10 p. m. ... all guests except President Kekkonen will depart at this time ... Color Guard will request permission to remove Colors.

Grand Entrance:

- Approximately 8:12 p. m. ... descend Grand Staircase preceded by Color Guard.



- Pause at foot of staircase for official photograph (President Kekkonen to your right ... then Mrs. Ford).
- Color Guard reforms and procession moves to red carpet facing East Room ... pause for Ruffles and Flourishes and announcement ... take receiving line positions (President Kekkonen to your right ... then Mrs. Ford).
- Follow Color Guard into East Room when "Hail to the Chief" is played.

Receiving Line:

- Take position just inside door of East Room ... Ambassador Black will present your guests.
- After receiving line, proceed through the Blue Room to the South Portico and down the steps ... follow guests into the Rose Garden.

Dinner:

- Rectangular head table ... round tables
- No press coverage of dinner ... toasts will be piped to the press ... transcripts will be released to the press -- there will be press photo pool coverage and mini-camera coverage.

After-Dinner:

- 10:00 p. m. ... guests proceed from the Rose Garden through the driveway and up the steps to the South Portico Balcony to the parlors for demitasse, liqueurs, and cigars. You and Mrs. Ford will escort President Kekkonen up the steps to the South Portico Balcony and into the Red Room where you will visit informally with your guests.
- 10:05 p. m. ... after-dinner guests will form a receiving line. You, Mrs. Ford and President Kekkonen (President Kekkonen to your right ... then Mrs. Ford) will receive the after-dinner



guests from a position in the Grand Hall between the Blue Room and Green Room doors -- a Military Social Aide will present your guests -- guests will proceed to the East Room and take their seats.

Entertainment:

- After the guests are seated, you will enter the East Room through the center door and seat Mrs. Ford and President Kekkonen.
- You proceed to the stage which will be located along the center of the east wall of the East Room and introduce Mr. George Shearing.

NOTE: Suggested remarks (Tab A).

- At the conclusion of the performance, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President Kekkonen to the stage to thank Mr. George Shearing.

NOTE: There will be press coverage of the entertainment, including mini-camera coverage of your introduction, first and last portions of the program, and of your thanking Mr. George Shearing. Also, there will be photo coverage.

- After you have thanked Mr. George Shearing, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President Kekkonen to the State Dining Room for dancing.

Departure:

- You, Mrs. Ford, The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black escort President Kekkonen to the North Portico.
- You and Mrs. Ford may wish to return for dancing or return to the Family Quarters.
- There will be champagne, mixed drinks and dancing for the guests who remain.



NOTES:

- The dinner and after-dinner guest lists are attached (Tab B).
- A suggested toast is attached (Tab C).
- Military Social Aides will be present.
- White House photographer will be present.
- Army String Ensemble will be playing in the East Wing Garden Room as your dinner and after-dinner guests arrive.
- Marine Harpist will be playing in the Ground Floor Hall area as your dinner guests arrive.
- Marine String Ensemble, Woodwind Quintet and Harpist will be playing in the west end of the Rose Garden during dinner.
- Army Chorus will sing during dessert.
- Marine String Ensemble will be playing in the Grand Hall while your dinner guests are being served demitasse, liqueurs and cigars and during the time you are receiving your after-dinner guests.
- Marine Dance Combo will be playing in the State Dining Room.
- An interpreter will be present.

Maria Downs



THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

22 July 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD

Subject: Official Gift during the Visit of
His Excellency the President of
Finland, August 3, 1976

We have learned that President Kekkonen plans to bring a photograph of himself to exchange with President Ford, and suggest that the President reciprocate with a silver framed photograph of the arrival ceremony.

A suggested inscription would be:

To His Excellency
Urho Kekkonen
President of Finland

With our best wishes

Gerald R. Ford
August 3, 1976

Betty Ford

The Finnish Embassy has also informed us that President Kekkonen is bringing a Rya Rug as a gift to The American People. It has been especially woven with figures of the first Finns who landed in the New World. We do not feel that this calls for a reciprocal gift. We will have it picked up and brought to the White House before the official dinner on August 3rd, so that you will have a chance to see it before greeting your guest that evening.

Stuart W. Rockwell
Stuart W. Rockwell
Acting



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 29, 1976

FOR: MRS. FORD

FROM: MARIA DOWNS *μ*

Attached for your review and selection are two proposed menus for the State Dinner in honor of President Kekkonen of Finland on August 3, 1976.

Thank you.

Approved 7/29/76 by BF



DINNER

* Lobster Nicoise

Supreme of Capon
** Eggplant Fermiere
Celery and Almonds Au Gratin

Watercress and Hearts of Palm Vinaigrette Salad
Brie Cheese

*** Sugar Loaf Pineapple with Lemon Sherbet
Petits Fours

Demitasse

The White House
Tuesday, August 3, 1976

* Lobster Nicoise -- lobster salad prepared in a round mold garnished with chopped eggs, cherry tomatoes and parsley.

** Eggplant Fermiere -- eggplant stuffed with diced eggplant, onions, bacon and mushrooms and topped with parsley and parmeson cheese.

***Sugar Loaf Pineapple with Lemon Sherbet -- large pineapple cut in half, scooped out and filled with lemon sherbet balls surrounded with strawberries and fresh pineapple chunks that have been in Kirsch Brandy.



DINNER

Supreme of Red Snapper

Tournedos with Mushroom Sauce
Carrots and Grapes
Broccoli Timbale

Watercress and Hearts of Palm Vinaigrette Salad
Brie Cheese

Fresh Peach Mousse
Macaroons

Demitasse

The White House
Tuesday, August 3, 1976

* Broccoli Timbale -- broccoli baked in the form of a ring.

