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# THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MRS. FORD

EVENT: Girl Scout Council Presidents photo

-Tuesday, October 28, 1975

-2:00 p.m.

-South Portico



2:00 p.m. Mrs. Ford will be escorted by Susan Porter to the Diplomatic Reception Room to meet:

Mrs. William Ittman, Outgoing National President  
Gloria Scott, Incoming National President  
Sue Shirey, Girl Scout from Portage, Michigan  
Kathleen Ross, National Representative

(The 285 Girl Scout Council Presidents will be at the South Portico steps and balcony.)

2:01 p.m. Mrs. Ford and four guests will walk straight out the Diplomatic Reception Room to the edge of the grass. (SEE DRAWING.)

Mrs. Ittmann will present to Mrs. Ford (and help her pin it on) a pin to signify her Honorary Presidency of Girl Scouts of America. Mrs. Ford will simply thank her for the pin and the honor of this association (no microphone).

Sue Shirey, 17 year old Girl Scout from Portage, Michigan, will present Mrs. Ford with a Bicentennial Quilt made by Michigan's 17 Girl Scout Councils.

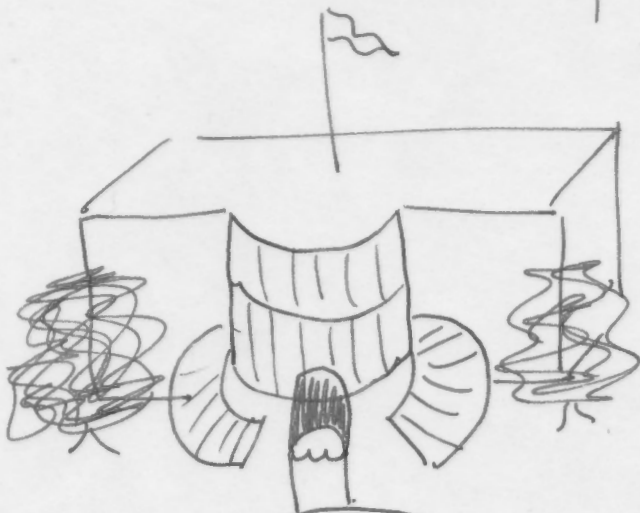
2:03 p.m. Mrs. Ford will turn and wave to the group assembled on the steps and balcony and return to Residence.

NOTE: -Press photographers only.

-Following this photo, the group will rejoin the 2700 Girl Scouts who will be touring the White House this afternoon.

susan porter  
October 28, 1975

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BACKGROUND:

Honorary Presidency. First Ladies, beginning with Mrs. Woodrow Wilson in 1917, have traditionally served as Honorary National President of Girl Scouts of the United States. The pin which will be presented--the Girl Scout trefoil--symbolizes this affiliation.

The Quilt. The quilt, which will be presented to you by Sue Shirey, 17 year old Scout from Portage, Michigan, was made by Cadette and Senior Scouts and adults from Michigan's 17 Girl Scout Councils. Sue Shirey helped to make the quilt; she is a youth delegate to the 40th national convention meeting in Washington at the Sheraton Park Hotel, October 26-29th. The quilt's motif is the state of Michigan. Its pieces, each in the shape of one of the 17 Councils, were put together by Godfrey Wanke, a retired Port Huron tailor. Hand quilting was done by the girls and adults at a "Trails to '76" Girl Scout encampment in September.



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Mrs. Ford,

Following the Girl

Scout photo, your next

appointment is with Warren  
(10 MIN.)

Rustand. Karl will come at  
the beginning to take a  
photo.

susan  
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