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Wednesday 4/14/76

W. H. Tour 4/17/76

12:55 As I mentioned, Congressman Fountain's call to you on Monday evening was to ask if we could get get W. H. Tour tickets for three top people in their district for Saturday 4/17 --

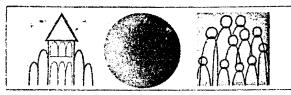
225-4532 (Miss Adair)

J. Hackney, Jr. Janita Master Hackney

I checked with Mike Farrell's office and they have arranged for them to be included on Saturday.

Congressman Fountain's office said he is very pleased that you were able to get them for him.





FOUNTAIN STREET CHURCH

April 21, 1976

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Buchen c/o The Jefferson Hotel 1200 Sixteenth Street, N.W. Washington, D. C. 20036



Dear Phil and Bunny:

Well, we did it! It was a fantastic trip. A most rigorous schedule as I'm sure you heard from Hazel and others, but a chocked full of memories -- very, very special kind of experience.

Needless to say, ninety percent of the content, and maybe more, was due to your assistance. The very special times we had with Potter Stewart, at the White House, Carla Hills, the Embassies, the Hirshhorn Gallery, all came as a result of your help. All I can say is we're most appreciative.

I think any one of us who went is now much more fully attuned to certain events that happen in the national scene. None of us will ever fail to recognize certain parts of the White House when photographed or shown on television nor will we be as insensitive to the decisions of the Court and particularly any involving Potter Stewart. We shall always pay a little more attention to what transpires at HUD and we may all look at our homes and wish we lived in an embassy. Some of the places that you sent us to, Bunny, particularly the Belgian Embassy were just the dream of most housewives who would have aspirations to go into interior design.

That was a great day and I haven't even had a chance to personally discuss it with you. The contrast between the various embassies, the obvious delight and warmth of most of the people who took us through the embassies, their good feelings for you are so evident.

We all left Washington feeling that we had had a most privileged time there. We all felt very good about your being part of the national scene and I believe now that we have visited, we feel even more strongly that way.

It was a delight to meet you at the White House on your own ground, so to speak, and to sense how much a part of the picture of Washington you have become. We're delighted that you are there. We feel very secure about that and hope that even more enjoyments

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Mr. and Mrs. Philip Buchen April 21, 1976 Page two

and good years will be coming for you. We're sorry always that you're not back here with us, but are glad to have you in such a great spot and are most appreciative at your willingness to share some of your time and your friends with us.

We'll hope to see you when you get back in Grand Rapids in June. I don't know what in the world we could ever do to reciprocate, but once again on behalf of all of us, so many thanks.

Cordially,

Jack

P.S. Bunny, I did write the letters.

6:15 As of now, the following is the schedule of meetings, etc., that the Fountain Street Church group had requested -- in addition to those they arranged for themselves:

Monday 4/12

11:30 a.m. Justice Potter Stewart

Supreme Court (main entrance; guard will direct them)
Secretary: Helene Dwyer Ex. 3-1640

After the meeting with Justice Stewart, someone from the Marshall's Office will conduct a tour of the Supreme Court Building (tour will take approximately half an hour)

2:00 p.m. White House Tour

East Gate of the White House Mr. Buchen will greet them (Mr. and Mrs. Buchen will have lunch at 12:45

with Mrs. Hasel Victor Barens)

4:30 p.m. Mrs. Carla Hills, Secretary of HUD

Room 10,000 south entrance (7th and D Sts., S. W.)

Standup meeting with punch and cookies

Cantact: Debbie Abbott 755-6238

Wednesday 4/14

9:30 a.m. Minister Hansen

German Embassy

Auditorium

4645 Reservoir Road, N.W.

Miss Gilgan

331-3209

10:30 a.m. Belgian Embassy

2300 Foxhall Road, N. W.

Mrs. Poisson

338-2321

11:15 a.m. Spanish Embassy

2801 16th St., N. W.

Mrs. McGlothlin

Co. 5-0190

12:15 p.m. Iranian Embassy

3005 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.

Miss Hamidi

797-6543

Senate or Supreme Court lunch (open to the public) (bean soup)

Concerning a tour of the Kennedy Center ---- Rev. Bowers said they would be in the area of the Kennedy Center around 7 p.m. on Wednesday 4/14 ----- 40 of them will attend the performance of Marcelle Marceau at 8 p.m.

(he thinks the general guide service doesn't go beyond 5 p.m. in the afternoon. Special requests for government officials can be made---he thinks.

Any feasibility of a casual sight of President and/or Betty Ford

Mr. B -- meet with them?

He said he knows the National Gallery is open on Sunday.

Tours for large group are handled by Friends of the Kennedy Center 254-3774 (Karen Dias)

3:20 I called Gennediy Fedosov (First Secretary -- Public Cultural Exchanges).

387-2084

He did receive your letter and had told Dan James of New York to be in touch with you.

Mr. Fedosov said there is no possibility definitely that they couldhave a tour of the Soviet Embassy.

First of all, they are closed on Sunday. They have discontinued the practice of escorting people through the Embassy three years ago.

The only thing: he would be happy to see him personally. If you would like him to address the group, it is all right with him.

(202) 387-2084

Suggests Rev. Bowers call him next Wednesday (the only time he will be in town) or on the Saturday morning. (Between 9 and 5 p.m.)

Or at home:

(703) 527-4689

2:40 Rev. Bowers wanted to work a meeting with Justice Potter Stewart in -- along with the tour of the Supreme Court.

He wants to let the group have Navy Bean Soup in either the Capitol or the Supreme Court.

Thinks perhaps the Capitol cafeteria opens at 11 -- and open till 11:30 to the public and then closed for employees -- reopening again at 1:00 for the public.

Lunching at 1:00 would not give them enough time to get back here for the 2:00 p.m. tour.

Thursday 4/1/76

FOUNTAIN STREET CHURCH GROUP:

Rev. Jack Bowers (Secy. Vera)

(616) 459-8386

Residence

(616) 949-3406

Monday 4/12

11:30 a.m. Tour of the Supreme Court

(1/2 hour) (Confirmed with Raydell Bryant (Marshall's office) 393-1640

Ext. 282

393-1640

We are checking with Justice Potter Stewart's

office (Helena Dwyer) to see if the group can

meet with him after the tour (or before if preferable)

2:00 WIS Town

4:30 p.m. Secretary Carla Hills

Room 10,000 south entrance (7th and D Streets, S.W. 755-6238

Standup meeting - punch and cookies

(Debbie Abbott was going to be in touch with Rev. Bowers

Wednesday 4/14

9:30 a.m. German Embassy Miss Gilgan 331-3209

Auditorium (Minister Hansen) (will confirm)

4645 Reservoir Rd., N. W.

10:30 a.m. Belgian Embassy Mrs. Poisson 338-2321

2300 Foxhall Rd., N. W.

((They want to know how many buses there will be))

ll:15 a.m. Spanish Embassy Mrs. McGlothlin CO. 5-0190

2801 16th St., N. W.

I will call the Iranian Embassy (Miss Hamidi) on Monday to see if 797-6581 a tour can be arranged (they are open for tours every day during week but not on weekends. ((((12 or 12:15 on Wed. 4/14???))))

Rev. Bowers is contacting the Soviet Embassy (Cultural Exchange Minister Gennady Fedosov)

5:00 Miss Panah would prefer that I call Miss Hamidi when she returns on Monday -- to discuss the tour of the Iranian Embassy for the Fountain Street Church group. 797-6581

They are open for tours every day during the week -- but not the weekends.

I will call on Monday -----

Fountain St. Church 4/12/76
4:30 p.m. with Secy. Carla Hills

5:10 Debbie Abbott has talked with Secretary Hills and she will meet with them at 4:30 p.m. on Monday 4/12 at HUD in Room 10,000 -- south entrance (7th and D Streets, S. W.). It will be a stand-up meeting and they will have punch and cookies.

Miss Abbott will call Reverend Jack Bowers and give him details.

I tried to reach him, but he was not in the office -- they suggested I call tomorrow.

12:00 In letting Mrs. Hills' appointment secretary know that we would try to get a meeting room over here for Secretary Hills to meet with the Fountain Street group, she said this sounds like a speech they're expecting.

Sald Mrs. Hills will be making some remarks the following morning and a major speech in Detroit on Wednesday. Asking what they have in mind.

Suggested possibly they could have a room over there where they could all stand and she could come in and meet with them.

((Thought perhaps we should get back to the Fountain Street Church to see what they have in mind.))

- 10:55 Mrs. Buchen suggests checking with Mike Farrell to see if the Fountain Street group could meet with Mrs. Hills in the Theater after their White House Tour on Monday 4/12.
- 11:40 Mike Farrell will check to see if the Theater is available -- they are welcome to use it.

Also suggests the briefing room in Old EOB (Rm, 450).

eter spanish Embassy. I talked to Ambassador Zahedi about the Fountain Street Tour and his answer was "of course"! So When you shone Miss Hamidi in the morning you can tall her.

9:40 Miss Panah said Miss Hamidi is the lady in charge of the tours for the Embassy and she is on vacation until next week.

797-6581

However, Miss Panah indicated the Embassy is not open on Sundays -- and they would have to bring someone in to open up.

Thought maybe it could be done on another day when they are open for tours.



Fountain Street Church group

755-6238

9:25 Mrs. Debbie Abbott has charge of Mrs. Carla Hills' engagement calendar.

Beverly and I had decided on 4:30 p.m. on Monday 4/12 as a time that would be convenient for Mrs. Hills and the group to get together.

However, there is no room there to accommodate 72 people.

They want to know what they want Mrs. Hills to talk about and how long do they want her to speak?

Also asking if the Fountain Street Church is applying for funds from HUD -- many churches are.

ned W

Raydell Bryant called back from the Marshall's office at the Supreme Court for the tour for Fountain St. Church

xt. 282

(There would be no sitting of court that week.)

The morning of Monday 4/12 is open

She has groups at 3 p.m. on 4/12; noon on 4/13 and 2:30 on 4/13; 2 p.m. on 14th??

Afternoon of the 14th would be open if they would like that.

(Tour would take about half an hour.

German Embassy

Auditorium

4645 Reservoir Rd., IN. W.

10:30 Wednesday 4/14

Wed. 4/14

9:30

2300 Foxhall Road

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Miss Gilgan w. c. / 331-3209

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4:30 p.m.

HUD TOUR Monday 4/12 Room 10,000 south entrance (7th and D Sts.S.W.) (Standup meeting -- punch and cookies) Mrs. Carla Hills will greet them. (Debbie Abbott was going to be in touch with Rev. Bowers) 755-6238

Rev. Jack Bowers -- Fountain St. (72 people Church

Thursday 3/18/76

Sunday 4/11

Group would be available 4-5 p.m. to have a tour at the Iranian Embassy *

or Soviet Embassy -- Mr. Bowers indicates he has a contact there; he and some of the people will be going to Russia this summer.

Monday 4/12

8 a.m. leaving for Capitol area

((((???hoping for a general tour of the Capitol) 11 or ? Supreme Court Potter Stewart?

White House Tour

10 a.m. Hirshhorn

Lunch

Smithsonian Mall area

Wednesday 4/14

9:30 a.m.

11:15 a.m.

German Embassy 10:30 a.m. Belgian Embassy Spanish Embassy

Carla Hills???

3/17 10:40 a.m.

Miss Vueche (331-3209) in Minister Hansen's office was to check when he returned to let me know if 9:30 a.m. was O.K. and how long the tour would take.

- * Mrs. Buchen suggested I call Miss Panah and ask if a tour might be possible -- no refreshments, no meeting with the Ambassador; Mrs. Buchen can talk with the Ambassador when she returns -- but just to find out if it's a possibility.
- ** Mr. Buchen may want to call Potter Stewart to see if he could meet with the group and tour the Supreme Court.

* her a contact

Monday 3/15/76

10:00 Mrs. Buchen:

I called Jack Bowers. He feels 9:30 would be a good starting time on Wednesday 4/14 for the Embassy tours:

(616) 459-8386

9:30 German Embassy

10:30 Belgian Embassy

(coffee to be served)

11:15 Spanish Embassy

They will go their separate ways for lunch. (12:15 ??)
Will probably take in the National Cathedral after that. (1:30??)

Maybeytry for an appointment to meet with Carla Hills on Wednesday afternoon (4/14).

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Sunday 4/11 -- the group would be available from 4 to 5 p.m.

to have a tour of the Iranian Embassy.

Monday 4/12 -- will be on the Hill -- perhaps a meeting with Potter Stewart??

(I will have to check again on the timing)

I will call German Minister Hansen to see if 9:30 would be agreeable -- and how long the tour would take.

331-3208 or 9

Germany Embassy

331-3205

(3/16 -- unable to reach Minister Hansen; apparently he is out of the office today.)

Is there anything we should be doing on the above?

3/17 10:40 miss Veneche 331-3209)
called Fack _ minuter Hamount of returns Tonight the will check to pee if 9:36 is UK cand how long the town will take.

al way

Mrs. Buchen asked me to call Fountain Street Church (ack Bowers) and tell him that she has been waiting to get his schedule (6/6) 459-8386 but Mrs. Buchen will be gone for two weeks.

On schedule: German Embassy (1st) for the Belgian Embassy (2nd)

Belgian Embassy (2nd) /- will serve coffee

morning of Spanish Embassy 11:15

the 14th.

Ask what time they'd like to do the Embassies.

She got a letter from the Minister of Germany == suggested

I call him back and see what time the Chancery is open in the
morning and what time he might like to have the group come in.

9 or 10??? How long would it take to see the Chancery and hear----

Might be able to schedule a fourth Embassy --

Final payment due:

Please

MONDAY, MARCH 8

twin-bedded rooms ----- \$203 total per person OR \$178 if you deposited \$25

3 or 4 persons per room---\$176 total per person OR \$151 if \$25 deposited

Checks made payable to Fountain Street Church

NEW (but tentative) SCHEDULE

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SAT., PRIL 10	SUN., APRIL 11	MON., APRIL 12	TUES., APRIL 13	WED., APRIL 14	THUR., APRIL 15
.M. Depart GR 7 A.M.	8:30 Depart for Mt. Vernon	8 Depart for Capitol Area	9 Depart for 10 Hirshorn Gallery Tour	9:30 German /0:30 Belgian //:/5 Spanish Embassies	7 Depart for 6.R.
NCH in Ohio	Box lunch	On: own	On own	On own	On Turnpike
M. On bus	Arlington Iranian Embassy	Supreme Ct. 2 Private White House Tour Recto Motel	Smithsonian and Mall Area	National Cathedral HUD - Carla Hills ?	On bus
PPER Pa.Turnpi	5:00 Port O' ke Georgetown	Hot Shoppes	5:30 Hogate's Seafood	Hot Shoppes	Toledo, Forum
E. 10:30 Arr. Motel	Return to Motel	Performance 7301600 Pennsylvania Ave.	Nite Tour of Morments 10 Return to Motel	Kennedy Center Marcel Marceau	Arrive G.R. 10:30 P.M.

PECIAL NOTES ON SCHEDULE -

Bus will depart at 7 A.M. Place to be announced---No-smoking on buses, please.

ICKETS: I have 75 tickets for the new Leonard Bernstein-Alan Jay Lerner musical "1600 Pennsylvania Ave." @ \$10.50 per. If you wish a ticket(s) please indicate so on the enclosed coupon.

W. H. Lunch and Tour 4/12/76 12:45 and 2:00 pm

11:30 Mrs. Buchen asked us to arrange a luncheon in the Conference Dining Room on Monday 4/12 at 12:45 a.m. She and Mrs. Hazel Victor Barens will join you.

The White House tour for the Fountain Street Church group is scheduled at 2 o'clock, and Mrs. Buchen said you plan to go over and greet them.

1:50 I called Jack Bowers' office; he is not in this afternoon.

I asked his secretary to let him know that you have lined up two Embassy tours for the morning of 4/14 -- so he should keep that morning free. Also asked if there was anything else he needed.

(616) 459-8386

4/12/26 2 pm

THE WHITE HOUSE

2/24/76

Eva ---

For Mr. Buchen to take home to Mrs. Buchen (she and Mike talked yesterday).

Thanks.

Hazel



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 23, 1976

For: Reverend Jack Bowers

We have arranged a special tour of the White House for the Fountain Street Church on Monday, April 12, 1976 at 2:00 p.m.

Please come to the East Gate on East Executive Avenue. If you will be travelling by bus it would be helpful if you would instruct the drivers to proceed to the Northwest Gate on Pennsylvania Avenue after your party has disembarked. Parking will be arranged for the buses on the North Drive.

Looking forward to meeting you and with best wishes,

Michael J. Farrell

Lunch & W. H. Tou: 4/26/76 1 p. m. & 2 p. m.

9:20 Wilson Whittier called. In addition to his wife, his daughter and son-in-law will be coming with them for the luncheon at 1 o'clock on Monday 4/26 and for the White House tour at 2 o'clock.

I have given the names to Mike Farrell's office.

mary Richard Hor



9:45 We have made a reservation for five in the Conference Dining Room today (Monday 4/26) at 1 o'clock for

> Jean and Wilson Whittier Mary and Richard Gore

Someone from the Tour Office will come over at 2 o'clock and will pick them up outside the dining room and take them on the tour.

W.H. Lunch and Tour 4/26/76 1:00 and 2 00

11:05 We have arranged for a White House tour at 2 o'clock on Monday 4/26 -- and will reserve a table in the Conference Dining Room at 1:00 (for 5) for Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Whittier (wife: Jean) and their daughter and son-in-law.

THE WHITE HOUSE

4/26/76 2 pm

March 29, 1976

Dear Jean:

Bunny and I were pleased to receive your note about your upcoming visit to Washington. I would be delighted to arrange a White House tour for you, Bill, your daughter and son-in-law on April 26 at 2:00 p.m. Also, I would welcome having all of you for lunch at the White House starting at 1:00 p.m. Unfortunately, Bunny will not be able to join us.

When you arrive in Washington, I suggest you call my office (456-2632) and confirm the arrangements. At the same time, you can report the names of your daughter and son-in-law so that they can be included on the access list to the White House for the time of our luncheon and the tour.

Best regards to you and Bill.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen

Counsel to the President

Mrs. Wilson D. Whittier 915 Santa Barbara Drive Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506 1:10 Mrs. Buchen said you had received a letter from Bill Whittier, who will be here from April 23rd to 26th.

(Since you don't know the time they will be arriving on the 23rd, it would probably not be in time to have lunch on the 23rd.)

Mrs. Buchen will not be able to join you on April 26th, but suggested you and Mr. and Mrs. Whittier could have lunch -- and then we could send them on the White House tour afterwards.



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March 24,1976

White Honour

Friday 4/23/76

Handicapped Adults 4/29/76 3:30 p.m.

11:20 Attached is the file concerning the meeting with the Handicapped Adults of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The White House Tour is at 3:30 on Thursday 4/29.

I checked with Bill Nicholson's office. The President will be out of town on the 29th, and they think Mrs. Ford will be in New York but they aren't sure at what time she will be leaving.

According to the Scheduling Office, the President will be meeting with the "Handicapped American of the Year" which that group will pick to represent them -- at around 12 noon on Wednesday 4/28 -- and the President will be departing around 12:40.



THE WHITE HOUSE

Eva:

Check, please, on whon the President's Committee to Employ meets next week & whether the President oranyone else is scheduled to appress. Maybe Ted Marrs Knows. P.

3120 Nest School Hame Jane Franklin Bldg. 13-6
Philadelphia Penna. 19144
April 20, 1976 Mr. Philip It. Buchen Council to the President The Strite Flower Hashington S.C. Dear Mr. Buchen, My last communication with you dealt with that unbelievable war, and Dam indeed grateful That The Freident called it people of So. Vietnamo and I do hope that in the not too distant future communication lines will be renewed and my friendships via This letter is addressed to you on Since I left Strand Rapido rehabilitàtion had been my field of operation. As a Grand Rapidian I'm. naw being repeatedly questioned about what and the poise, 6.1. this of the Proident

attending the Tresident's Committee to Emplay the Handi appell meeting which will be held in Hashington net week. The disabled inform und that no president has attended the meeting since Tresident Eisenhoused was in office. The decasted and elderly, as you know is the fastest growing minority in Jonesia. Ilies Voices are getting to be louder & cleaver each day. The Tresident is in affine during a time when legislation for the rights of the deabled and in high gear, I it would be so fine if he could briefly stap by at "his meeting for The disableil . My would is emptier since we last Bob Johnson. Then he died, I had so many thoughts of all of The people who shand the Mich. Trust Bldg. days. My best wishes to you and the Ontolent during The coming herter election days. Sincerely, Lorathy Calumbus

7/29/76 3:30 pm

April 2, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

BILL NICHOLSON

FROM:

MIKE FARRELL

SUBJECT:

Haudicapped Young Adults
Grand Rapids, Michigan Special Tour
April 29, 1976, 3:30 p.m.

To assist you in determining whether the President will have an opportunity to meet with this group while they are in Washington, I have attached a copy of the itinerary which calls for them to arrive on April 28 at 8:00 a.m. and depart Friday, April 30 at 2:00 p.m.

cc: Philip Buchen
Ted Marrs
Milton Mitler
Susan Porter



STEELCASE INC

TO Washington DC Committee

DATE 3/23/76

FROM

Bob Muller

SUBJECT Planned Itinerary

Here is the itinerary for the April 28-30 trip to Washington D.C.

			946 B. B. B.
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 28	Leave Grand Rapids Arrive Washington National	8:00 A.M. 9:15 A.M
		Busses pick us up for tour of the DC area. Have lunch at park.	9:45 A.M to 12:30 P.M
		Arrive at Washington Hilton Hotel to get our rooms and register for convention	1:00 P.M to 5:00 P.M
		Each chaperone will be responsible for supper with student assigned to him or her.	5:300P.M nts to 6:30 P.m
		Leave for Kennedy Center for Festival of Arts	8:30 P.M to
THURSDAY	APRIL 25	Attend Convention activities (Breakfast and lunch will be up to each chaperone)	8:30 A.E. to 12:00 P.E
		Leave hotel for Capitol Hill	12:30 P.1 to 31:00 P.1
* * *		Leave Capital Hill for White House	3:00 P.1 to 5:00 P.1
		Attend P.C.E.H. Banquet	7:30 P.1
FRIDAY	APRIL 30	Attend workshops and panel discussions at hotel	9:00 A.l to Noon
		Leave Washington Hilton for National Airport	2:00 P.1
		Leave for Grand Rapids home Arrive Grand Rapids	3:00 P. 5:15 P.

We think it is an excellent idea that each chaperone be responsible for their students during the entire trip which includes having meals too.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 6, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

TED MARRS

FROM:

MIKE FARRELL

SUBJECT:

Handicapped Adults, Grand Rapids, Michigan

Suchia,

Special Tour

Thursday, April 29, 1976; 3:30 p.m.

I have checked with the Military Aide's Office regarding the subject of providing buses as Pete Secchia proposed to you. The Military Office indicates they are not authorized to provide free transportation even for a very worthwhile group such as this one. In addition, they felt if it were to be done, they could be subject to even more criticism since the group is from the President's hometown.

The President's Committee on the Employment of the Handicapped provided the following list of companies who specialize in providing transportation for the handicapped. You might wish to pass this along to Pete. I understand, however, that a tour company in Grand Rapids has been hired to make all of their arrangements, and it would seem to me that the tour company should coordinate the transportation to ensure that all aspects of their visit run smoothly.

Rehab Transport 201 Upton Rockville, Maryland (301) 762-1713

Ironsides 8510 Dixon Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland (301) 585-1100

Van Go Corporation 817 Timber Branch Parkway Alexandria, Virginia (703) 836-1387



Thank you.

cc: Philip Buchen

Milton Mitler

Bill Nicholson

Susan Porter

THE WHITE HOUSE

February 3, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

PHILIP BUCHEN
WILLIAM NICHOLSON
TED MARRS
MILTON MITLER
SUSAN PORTER

FROM:

MIKE FARRELL /

SUBJECT:

Handicapped Adults, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Special Tour

Thursday, April 29, 1976, 3:30 p.m.

We have scheduled a special, private tour of the White House for a group of approximately 140 handicapped young adults from the Grand Rapids area for the subject date and time. In addition to their sightseeing plans they will be attending the President's Committee on the Employment of the Handicapped at the Washington Hilton. Pete Secchia has talked to the President and Mrs. Ford about their meeting the group when they are at the White House. It has been explained to the group that the President and Mrs. Ford would hope very much to be able to do so; however, it has also been explained that it will be somewhat closer to the date before it can be determined if their schedules will make this possible.

I have attached copies of recent correspondence which provide additional background. I note in Pete Secchia's letter to Ted Marrs that it indicates that Mr. Buchen will be greeting the group upon arrival. A little closer to the date we can work out the specific arrangements of the format for this. I thought it would be helpful for everyone to have copies of correspondence that I have just received so that everyone is up to date.

Thank you.

Attachments

January 30, 1976

Mr. Michael J. Farrell
Director, Office of White House
Visitors
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mike:

Looking forward to seeing you again on March 25, 1976, at 9:00 a.m. Enclosed is information regarding the trip for the handicapped young adults in April, 1976. Mike, would you please contact Dr. J. C. Marrs, and Phil Buchen so that we have no duplication of plans during our visit to the White House. The letter from Peter F. Secchia was written because he is working with President Ford on his re-election campaign and also, they have been personal friends over the years. Mr. Secchia was in the White House a few weeks ago for a meeting with the President and had mention about the trip in April.

We have selected <u>fifty</u> handicapped young adults already to attend the Convention at the Washington Hilton with more being selected as the funds come in. Also, the fifty that were selected will be asked to contribute towards the trip so we can ask more to attend the conference. They are being selected out of 150 applications that were submitted by special schools, and agencies here in the Kent County area. We take the number of applications from each special program and take a percent of what funds we have in the bank. A total of \$12,000 has been collected so far from local contributions.

Also, I am sending to you a copy of the article that was in the Grand Rapids Press concerning your visit to Grand Rapids on November 20, 1975. United Way of Michigan, Inc. did an article I would like you to have, too, and a letter from Herbert A. Start, Executive Director, on the new company that is going to start up in Grand Rapids for handicapped adults to be employed. Steelcase has asked me to serve on their Project Advisory Committee.

(page 2 not pertinent)
15/ ROBERT S. MULLER

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January 20, 1976

Dr. J. C. Marrs Assistant to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Good Morning Dr. Marrs...

Thank you for your telephone call last week.

If any general information is missing from this cursory review of the project

...Jerry Hartsock
Coordinator of Adult Education
703 Madison S.E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503
Phone: (616) 456-4953

...will forward you supplemental data.

We will leave here on Wednesday morning the 28th of April...Tentatively planning to arrive at Dulles at 9:15 A.M. (I believe this could be changed to National Airport if necessary).

There will be approximately 140 retarded and/or handicapped people ranging in ages from 16 to 40. To the best of my knowledge 30% of these will be handicapped, and approximately ten to fifteen will be in wheel chairs. There will be approximately sixty adults travelling with the group.

It is my responsibility to arrange for Washington transportation, schedule events, etc.

Wednesday A.M. To be greeted by ______ (To be arranged), and then head for the Washington Hilton. If busses are available, we might take a roundabout route to the hotel to enable the children to see the cherry blossoms, or other points of interest on the way to the hotel.

NOON Lunch at the Washington Hilton (To be arranged).

P.M. A possible reloading of the busses for other points of interest (To be arranged) - if busses are available.

Evening A movie.

Thursday A.M.

After a leisurely breakfast a visit to the Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument, Arlington Cemetery. (Should the weather not permit - possibly substituting a visit to the Smithsonian Institute so they will be fresh for the afternoon visit to the White House).

LUNCH - Weather permitting, a picnic in the park near the Potomac.

- 2:00 P.M. A selected group of twenty will meet with Senator Griffin (confirmed), and another selected group of twenty will meet with Congressman VanderVeen (requested), while another group of twenty will meet with Congressman VanderJagt (confirmed). Each of these three groups will visit the Congressional offices, and join the balance of our party as they are touring the Capitol building.
- 3:25 P.M. Off to the White House to be greeted by Phil Buchen, and then...
- 3:30 P.M. A special White House tour with a brief appearance requested in the Rose Garden from the First Lady and/or the President. All trip members have been advised that this is only possible if the schedule permits, and the White House has only committed to a special guided tour of the building for the entire party.

We believe there will be a banquet this evening for all those attending the President's conference on the handicapped. (We await the program).

Friday A.M.

After a leisurely breakfast, and goodbyes to the hotel staff, either a tour of the Smithsonian or the Lincoln Memorial and Washington Monument (depending on final decision on the 29th).

LUNCH - Enroute to airport.

]:00 P.M. DEPART from Dulles or National.

Clark, we need a firm commitment on <u>busses</u> from you, or General Milter. I believe our committee has budgeted all other expenses. As the date comes closer we will be looking for a coordinated effort between your office and mine, so arrangements can be made for proper handling of this group at places such as the Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument, etc. (Must we pay admission to any of these historic sites?)

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Cordially,

Peter F. Sectifia

cc: Mr. Jerry Hartsock

PFS/jh

Dear Bob:

Many thanks for your letter. It was good to talk with you the other day, and I am happy to know that everything is going well for you and your family.

We are very much looking forward to having you and your group from Grand Rapids visit the White House on April 29, 1976, for a private tour at 3:30 p.m. As the date approaches, we can discuss the final arrangements such as the gate of arrival, parking, and other details. I know the President and Mrs. Ford would hope very much to be able to meet with you when you are at the White House. However, I hope you will understand that this far ahead it is not possible to predict their schedule for that time. We will be in touch closer to the date once it has been determined if a meeting can be arranged. In the meantime, I know they would want me to express to you and your family their warmest best wishes for a happy and successful New Year.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

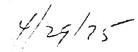
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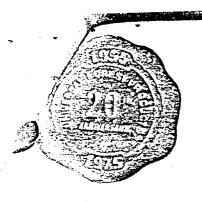
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December 26, 1975

Mr. Philip W. Buchen Special Counsel to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Phil:

Just a reminder of the retarded and handicapped children, who will be in Washington on April 29.

Your offer to address this group is fantastic, and the Committee will be contacting you at a later date.

I am in charge of the side trips...Arlington Cemetary, monuments, etc. How can I get buses? How can I get help? It will be very expensive to run 200 people around Washington with the budget we have to work with. This is all volunteer money from the citizens of Grand Rapids.

BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Peter F. Secchia

PFS/jh

Dictated - not signed.

3:20 Bryan Eagle said Bill Anders is about to go over to
Norway and has two friends coming to town and would
like to get tickets for the White House Tour for them...
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Reese.

634-1415

They have clearance for the 8:45 a, m. tour on Saturday 5/1 and the tickets will be at the East Gate of the White House for them.

I have advised Bryan Eagle.

10:10 Mike Farrell's office confirmed that it will be all right to have 60 in the W.H. tour on Tuesday 5/25 at 3 p.m. for the Women's Committee of the Washington Performing Arts Society.

10:00 Mike Farrell will be happy to schedule a W. H. Tour for the Women's Committee of the Washington Performing Arts Society -- approximately 30 people.

They can come in at 3 o'clock to the Theater and have their short meeting and then they can be taken on the tour after that.

W. H. Luncheon and Tour 5/7/76

Mrs. Buchen:

9:55 We have made a reservation for three in the Conference
Dining Room tomorrow (Friday 5/7) at 1 o'clock for
Elizabeth Taylor, Mr. Buchen and you.
(Mrs. Buchen will pick up Miss Taylor at 12:45 and come in West Exec. in
Mike Farrell will arrange to let you park in West Executive. her Audi)

Mike will come over at 2 o'clock to take you and Miss Taylor on the White House tour. He will have an officer accompany him to be sure the way is clear and fend off autograph seekers, etc.

- 11:15 Mike Farrell would be happy to conduct a tour on Friday 5/7 at 2 o'clock for Mrs. Buchen and Elizabeth Taylor. (I advised that we would let them know when it has been finalized.)
- 11:30 Mike called to say there is a tour scheduled for some of the cast of "Blue Bird" on Wednesday 5/5 at 3 o'clock -- about 20 people -- (request of a representative of the 20th Century Fox).

He doesn't know if the other star of the show -- Cicely Tyson -- will be in the group, but he asked if she was going to be included in the luncheon with Elizabeth Taylor.



Lunch & W. H. Tour 5/7/76 1:00 and 2:00 p. m.

10:00 Mrs. Buchen was working with Ambassador Zahedi to schedule a luncheon for Elizabeth Taylor here at the White House -- originally Tuesday 5/4 was a possible -- but it now looks as if Friday 5/7 at lo'clock may be possible. (We would arrange a W. H. Tour afterwards)

She will let us know when she hears further.

It cannot be done on Tuesday. Mrs. Buchen can't do it on Wednesday. Elizabeth Taylor will go to New York and back on Thursday. Only other day to do it is Friday 5/7.

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10:05 Mrs. Buchen:

You had asked if Mike Farrell could arrange a private tour for you and some special donors of Wolf Trap for May 10th (or another day if it would be better for him). (about 30 people)

Mike would be very pleased to do it at 2 o'clock on Monday 5/10. They would like to have a list on the Friday before -- May 7.

. We should let them know how the people will be coming in -- East Gate, by bus, car???

10:15 Advised her the people would be Barbara Earp 2867 coming individually -- to the East Gate.



3:10 Mrs. Buchen would like me to see if Mike Farrell could arrange for a private tour for Mrs. Buchen and some other special donors of Wolf Trap for May 10--or another day if some other time is better for him. Would like to know before Thursday, if possible, because there is a meeting on Thursday to induce people to become Wolf Trappers. There will be about 30 people.

How much before the tour should the names be submitted?

What information do you need in addition to the names?

Barbara Earp will check and call me.

Wit Tour

Wednesday 5/12/76

10:20 I talked with Diane in William H. Martindill's office in Grand Rapids and she advises that Sen. Griffin arranged tours of the White House, Capitol and FBI for his son Rog and wife Pat while they are here in Washington.

(616) 456-1543

Would you want to meet with them?

I can reach them at the Key Bridge Marriott Hotel.

Meeting 5/14/76 ll:30 a.m.

10:50 We have scheduled a meeting for Dan Henry and his wife Mary for 11:30 this morning (Friday 5/14).

Mr. Henry is the Chairman Elect of the Young Lawyers Section of the State Bar of Michigan.



WH Tony

Monday 5/10/76

4:30 Dan Henry called to say that he has just talked with the Chairman of the group. He said that Senator Hart has cancelled out on making the motion before the Supreme Court because of health = and Sen. Griffin because he has to go to Michigan to campaign for the President.

Wondered if Mr. Buchen could go to the Supreme Court at 10 o'clock on Monday 5/17 to make the motion. I suggested he call some of the Congressional offices to see if someone else could do it as Mr. Buchen is so very busy.

He asked if Mr. Buchen would be able to see him and his wife when they arrive in town on Thursday 5/13 -- and I suggested he call and we would see how the schedule is.

Monday 5/10/76

W. H. Tour 5/15/76 12 noon

4:00 Talked with Dan Henry to let him know that Mike Farrell had suggested the Young Lawyers Section come to the theater at the White House on Saturday when they arrive (5/15) and he could give them a history and take them on the lawn, and then join the group on the State floor.

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Advised that Mike suggested he call him directly for details, etc.

Mr. Henry called back to say he was delighted and they would be going to meet with Mike Farrell on Saturday 5/15 at 12 o'clock.

- 9:40 Mike Farrell said it is past the time we can do the special conducted tour. While we can't give the full tour because of time, after they land, they could come over at 11:30 to the theater and talk with them about the history of the White House and then take them into the garden and they could take photographs and join the others to go through the State Floor and show them some special interest. The maximum possible number of people they can accommodate in the theater is 90. He would need the name of the person in charge and the number of people who will attend.
 - * Explain where they are and what is in the East Wing and in the West Wing.

Mike would like to be in touch with the gentleman himself to explain the details and where to go, etc.

6:35 Dan Henry called at the suggestion of Louis Colombo. (313) 872-4620

He very much appreciates your very generous offer it. However, they are being sworn in at the Supreme Court at 10 a.m. on Monday 5/17 so will have to decline. ceremony on Monday 5/17 and they would like to do to get the Young Lawyers Section in on the welcoming

when they get to Washington to see if it might be possible. He and his wife, Mary, will be coming in on Thursday come over and meet with you for a short time. have a little free time in the afternoon so they could to begin work on the meeting and wondered if you might (Some time after 2 p.m.) They will be staying at the Hyatt Regency and will call

about 40% of the practicing bar in the state now. Section of the State Bar of Michigan, Mr. Henry is the Chairman Elect of the Young Lawyers They represent

5:05 Concerning the request of Louis Colombo ----

Mike Farrell advises that is an extremely busy weekend.

He had to put two senior citizens' groups in their and Sen. Roth of Delaware called and personally asked if a group could be taken on the tour and Mike couldn't say 'no'.

There is nothing on Sunday; on Monday they will be preparing for a State dinner so they can't take anyone (group that size) through because of the preparations.

Mike wondered if they could adjust their schedule ----(if they aren't on a rigid schedule at the Supreme Court on
Monday, 5/17, they could come down and attend the arrival
ceremony of the President of France ----- which will be
at 10:30. They would have to be here by 10 o'clock.
They would be in the VIP section.
We would need to have from them the list of names, addresses,
date and place of birth and social security numbers.

They could arrange for one person to come in and pick up the tickets to be given out. Probably will be using the East Gate for them to come in that day because the Southwest gate will be under repair.

Is Louis Colombo related to Fred Colombo?

Is this something you'd like Mike to take care of?

I know they have been swamped with requests, but thought I should check with you before pursuing it. Colombe, Trok Louis J. gr] Bar of Michigan -- Young Lawyers Section -is coming to Washington on May 15 -- Saturday -and will be here Sunday, and then on Monday morning
they are being admitted to the Supreme Court. There
would be about 70-90 of them -- husbands and wives.
They would arrive after 10 or 11 on Saturday, available
all day Sunday and after about 11 a.m. on Monday.
(This is sponsored by the State Bar. Both the Michigan
Senators usually arrange something for the group -either move for their admission or have them for lunch.

(313) 645-9300

He was wondering if we could arrange for the group to have a White House tour.

Do you want me to see if Mike can handle this size group. I'm know they're swamped with requests

10:45 We have arranged for the White House tour for Bill Dussinger, Mrs. Hayden Dussinger (his mother) and Mrs. Ann Trimble (his aunt) for Tuesday 6/8 at 9 a.m.



- 4:55 I checked with Barbara Earp and she said Monday 6/7 would not be good for a tour -- as they are cleaning the rooms and taking down drapes. However, suggests they could join the 9 a.m. special Congressional tour on Tuesday (6/8), Wednesday (6/9) or Thursday (6/10).
- 5:00 Bill doesn't know when they plan to return to Lancaster so he will check it out and be in touch on Monday to see if they can go on the tour Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

10:20 Bill Dussinger said his mother and her sister will be leaving Lancaster early Monday 6/7 and will get to Washington bout 11:30 or 12:00 --- he wondered if there might be a chance to get two tickets for them for a tour of the White House -- while he's finishing up at the store.

Mother: Mrs. Hayden Dussinger

Her sister: Ann Trimble (just lost her husband -- hasn't been
out of Lancaster in the last twn years.

He will leave to take them to his home after the noon hour rush. They will be here Tuesday and Wednesday and leave on Thursday. ((But they didn't plan to come in -- just thought while they were waiting for him they could see the White House)))

HE IS A FRIEND OF BARBARA EARP ----

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W.H. Tour 6/11/76 8:45 a.m.

9:10 We have arranged for a White House tour for friends of Helen Yourshaw -- Betsy Verchick and Mitsi Verchick on Friday 6/11 at 8:45 a.m.

634-7830

They will go to the East Gate and give their names.



10:30 Helen Yourshaw called. She has friends coming to town next weekend -- wondered if she could get two tickets for a special tour on Saturday 472. 6/12 -- or possibly Friday 6/11.

634-7830

Betsy Verchick Mitzi Verchick Florence said she talked with Kimberly Moore in the Tour Office asking for a tour for guests of Mr. Metz for June 15, 16 or 17.

2200

They had gone through their Congressman and the White House couldn't accommodate them.

Kimberly said since they had turned down the Congressman, just to have someone take them over and meet the tour group either at the 8 o'clock or 8:45 time -- in the East Wing

(between the East wing and the White House where they sell the White House books)

(Five good friends of Mr. Bachen Metz will be coming.

Kimberly said I could walk them over to the East Wing and they will go into the head of the list/

WH Town

W. H. Tour 6/16/76 2:25 p. m.

Wednesday 6/16/76

11:55 Miss Panah called to make some changes in the list of people who will be going on tour today (Wednesday 6/16) at 2:25. (Ambassader's house guests)

Please add Mr. Alireza Malekzadeh (son-in-law of Dr. Nahavandi--Chancellor of Behran University).

Instead of Dr. Kazemian (Cultural Minister), Mr. Fatoliah Samii (head of the Student Office at the Embassy) will join the group.

Others: Dr. and Mrs. Nahavandi Dr. Sereydown Javadi

Mrs. Buchen had made the arrangements with Mike Farrell's office -- so I called Barbara Earp and made the above changes.

695-3211

9:05 Margaret in Secretary Marty Hoffmann's office called to say his military assistant, Major John Archer, will become a Colonel on Tuesday 6/29 and Mr. Hoffmann would very much to have him and his family go on a White House Tour. Wife: Joan; Children: Beth, Ross and Douglas; parents: Mr. and Mrs. Archer.

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Barbara Earp will send over tickets for 9 a.m. on Tuesday 6/29. Margaret will send Jake over to get them when they are available. BARBARA EARP

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