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To meet Valerie-Rhne Biscard d'Estaing

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L'Ambassadeur de France  
et Madame Jacques Kosciusko-Morizet  
prient Mrs. Edward Weidenfeld

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de leur faire l'honneur  
to come to a dinner-dance  
to Wednesday, April 23 at 8 p.m.

~~D. S. Y. P.~~

To remind

2221 Kalorama Road  
Black Tie

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM TO: PETER SORUM  
FROM: SUSAN PORTER  
SUBJECT: Action Memo

Susan Ford has accepted the following out-of-house invitation:

EVENT: Dinner Dance  
HOSTS: The French Ambassador and Mrs. Jacques Kosciusko-Morizet  
DATE: Wednesday, April 23, 1975  
TIME: 8:00 p.m.  
PLACE: Embassy of France  
2221 Kalorama Road  
CONTACT: Mrs. Cottin, French Embassy  
387-2666  
COMMENTS: The daughter of the French President and Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing, Valerie, will be in this country as Azalia Queen in Norfolk, Virginia. At the conclusion of these festivities, she will be briefly in Washington. The afternoon of April 23, she will have a tour of the White House and meet Susan Ford at 4:00; at 8:00 p.m. Susan will attend this dinner dance in Valerie Giscard d'Estaing's honor at the Embassy of France. Thank you.

c: BF Staff  
Red Cavaney  
Warren Rustand  
Bill Nicholson  
General Scowcroft  
Jeanne Davis  
Carole Farrar  
Rex Scouten  
Staircase

April 7, 1975

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM TO: NANCY RUWE

FROM: SUSAN PORTER

SUBJECT: 1) SUSAN FORD'S MEETING WITH VALERIE GISCARD  
D'ESTAING, APRIL 23, 1975  
2) MRS. FORD'S MEETING WITH MRS. GISCARD  
D'ESTAING, MAY 15, 1975

1) After school at 4:00 on Wednesday, April 23, Susan Ford will greet Valerie Giscard d'Estaing briefly for a White House tour. The Embassy is taking care of inviting Valerie. Would you please handle this with Susan and I am sure you will want to communicate with Mike Farrell.

2) As you know, Mrs. Ford will have tea with Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing at the time of her visit to Washington on Thursday, May 15. The time of 2:30 is currently being explored in order that Mrs. Ford would have time afterwards to rest for the State Dinner.

Let me know if there is anything further I can do.

Thank you.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MRS. FORD AND SUSAN FORD:

Event: Valerie Giscard d'Estaing's White House Visit

Date/Time: April 23, 1975 5:00 p. m.

Sequence of

Events: 4:55 p. m. Nancy Ruwe will escort Susan to the Diplomatic Reception Room where Susan will wait for the arrival of Valerie Giscard d'Estaing.

5:00 p. m. Miss Giscard d'Estaing will arrive through the Southwest Gate. Susan will greet her in front of the entrance to the Diplomatic Reception Room.

NOTE: There will be press photo coverage of the arrival.

Susan will escort Miss Giscard d'Estaing to the Rose Garden via driveway. They will be seated at a table located at the east end of the Rose Garden. (Press photo opportunity)

Susan will walk through the Rose Garden with Miss Giscard d'Estaing and escort her into the Oval Office.

NOTE: There will be press photo coverage in the Rose Garden.

5:15 p. m. After Susan has shown the Oval Office to Miss Giscard d'Estaing, they will walk via Rose Garden through the Diplomatic Reception Room to the elevator.

You will be waiting on the Second Floor to greet Miss Giscard d'Estaing.

You and Susan will have tea with Miss Giscard d'Estaing in the West Hall.

After the tea, you and Susan may wish to give Valerie Giscard d'Estaing a tour of the Family Quarters.

You will bid farewell and Susan may wish to escort Miss Giscard d'Estaing on a tour of the White House or escort her to the Diplomatic Reception Room and bid farewell.

NOTES:

Mr. Gabriel de Bellescize (Ga bre ll de Bell sees), Counselor at the French Embassy, will escort Valerie Giscard d'Estaing to the White House and will stand by for her return to the French Embassy.

A White House photographer will be present.

In case of inclement weather, Susan will greet Miss Giscard d'Estaing and escort her via elevator to the Second Floor.

Reminder -- Miss Giscard d'Estaing's dinner at the French Embassy is at 8:00 p. m.

Nancy Ruwe



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 21, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: SUSAN FORD

FROM: PETER SORUM

SUBJECT: YOUR ATTENDANCE AT THE  
DINNER FOR VALERIE ANN  
GISCARD d'ESTAING  
Embassy of France  
Wednesday, April 23, 1975

Attached at TAB A is the proposed schedule for your attendance at the dinner for Valerie Ann Giscard d'Estaing. Attire is Long Dress and Black Tie.

APPROVE \_\_\_\_\_ DISAPPROVE \_\_\_\_\_

BACKGROUND

This dinner is given by Ambassador and Mrs. Jacques Kosciusko-Morizet for Valerie Ann Giscard d'Estaing, daughter of the President of France. The evening will be very flexible, with dancing planned between courses of the dinner.

A copy of the guest list is attached for your information.

4/21/75  
5:30 pm

PROPOSED SCHEDULE

SUSAN FORD'S ATTENDANCE AT THE DINNER FOR  
VALERIE ANN GISCARD d'ESTAING

Embassy of France  
2221 Kalorama Road

Wednesday, April 23, 1975

ATTIRE: Long Dress & Black Tie

8:20 pm Susan Ford boards motorcade on South Grounds.

MOTORCADE DEPARTS South Grounds en route  
Embassy of France.

[Driving time: 10 minutes]

8:30 pm MOTORCADE ARRIVES Embassy of France.

Susan will be met by:

Ambassador and Mrs. Jacques  
Kosciusko-Morizet  
Valerie Ann Giscard d'Estaing

8:33 pm Susan, escorted by Ambassador & Mrs. Kosciusko-  
Morizet and Valerie Ann Giscard d'Estaing, proceeds  
to foyer for informal reception.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE  
ATTENDANCE: 140

8:45 pm Susan and Valerie Ann Giscard d'Estaing proceed  
to their table in the dining room for dinner.

NOTE: Dinner will be buffet style  
with waiter service available, if  
desired.

9:00 pm Dance music begins.



NOTE: Dancing in designated areas between courses. Very casual. Table-hopping is expected, at your leisure.

11:45 pm Susan thanks her hosts and guests.

11:50 pm Susan boards motorcade.

MOTORCADE DEPARTS French Embassy  
en route South Grounds.

[Driving time: 10 minutes]

12:00 MOTORCADE ARRIVES South Grounds.  
midnight

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April 19, 1975

MEMORANDUM TO: PETER SORUM

FROM: SUSAN PORTER

You may wish to add this guest list for the dinner Wednesday evening at the French Embassy to your file. Susan has already received a biography of Valerie Giscard d'Estaing and talking points.

c: Sheila Weidenfeld  
Nancy Ruwe  
Jeanne Davis



Dinner-dance - Wednesday, April 23, 1975.

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HOSTS : Ambassador of France and Madame Kosciusko-Morizet

Mademoiselle Valérie-Anne Giscard d'Estaing

Miss Susan Ford

Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Frederick B. Dent

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Ruwe

Congressman and Mrs. James W. Symington

Comte et Comtesse de Brantes

Mr. Carter Brown

Miss Pauline H. Dent

Miss Christina Wachtmeister

Mr. Erik Wachtmeister

Congressman and Mrs. William S. Cohen

Congressman Thomas Downey

Miss Carol Murphy

Congressman Larry Pressler

Miss Nahed Ghorbal

Mr. Theodore Adams Mondale

Miss Cora K. Schlesinger

Miss Ann Rhea Schlesinger

Miss Barbara Manfuso

Miss Wendy Murphy

Mr. Elison Golubin

Mr. Reagan Golubin

Congressman and Mrs. Lee Au Coin

Miss Sophie Engelhard

Mr. and Mrs. William Marsh

Miss Sylvia Ripley

Mr. Robert S. Hartmann

Mr. and Mrs. George Graeber

M. et Mme. Jacques Wahl

Comte et Comtesse Adalbert de Segonzac

M. et Mme. François de La Gorce

M. et Mme. Gabriel de Bellescize

Miss Maria Eugenia de Garces Etcheveria

Mr. George B. Graeber II

Mr. Thomas Ketchum

M. Bernard de Combret

Madame Gérard de Margerie

M. et Mme. Gérard Errera

Miss Pamela Tarr

Miss Cynthia Tarr

Miss Helen Starr

Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Blair

M. Xavier Guerrand Hermes

Mr. Peter Bartlett

Miss Teresa Anne Botha

Mr. Hugh M. Smith

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller IV

Mlle. Sybille de Brantes

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Dupont

Mr. and Mrs. Austin P. Olney

Mr. and Mrs. David H. Taylor

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Weissner

Mr. and Mrs. David Patterson

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Atherton

Miss Susie Reynolds

Miss Marcie Moyer

Miss Astra Minch

Miss Kathy Vignos

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Roth

Mr. Arthur Watson

Mr. Fred Kellogg

Mr. Christopher Chapin

Mr. Richard Owens

Mr. Ian Glenday

Mr. Charles Houghton

Mlle. Isabelle Prouvost

Mlle. Alix Gudefin

Mr. Alain Wertheimer

Miss Donna Zilka

Mr. Christopher Castroviejo

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Bune

Lady Carina Fitzaler Howard

Melle. Sybille Gaussen

M. Geoffroy Gaussen

Melle. Françoise Jarry

M. Philippe Jarry

Mr. Tony T. Speer, Jr.

M. Xavier Arnaud

Melle. Roxane de Montalembert

Baron and Baronne Antoine Seilliere de Laborde

M. et Mme Jean-Pierre Leng

Miss Sara Sharpe

M. Olivier de Chillaz

M. Thomas Reston

Mr. Stuart A. Sundlun

Mr. Michael R. Carter

M. Jean Messinesi

Melle. Lawrence Ullmann

Mr. Jeffrey Lynn

Azalea Festival Princesses

Miss Denyse Gisele Debels (Belgium)

Miss Felicity Hanington (Canada)

Miss Kirsten Ohlsen (Denmark)



Miss Margitt Verena Lehbort (Germany)

Miss Diane Kostopulos (Greece)

Miss Ragnhildur Sigfusson (Iceland)

Miss Francesca Salimei (Italy)

Miss Jeanne Marie Schaeffer (Luxembourg)

Miss Carla Francesca Tammenoms Bakker (Netherlands)

Miss Nina Eikanger (Norway)

Miss Judy A. Lopes (Portugal)

Miss Aysegul Altay (Turley)

Miss Daphne Alexandra Bell Davies (United Kingdom)

Miss Amy Middendorf (United States)

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'young people's party' in Washington. Remember  
Tricia Nixon's masked ball? Remember the  
goings-on intended to charm Prince Charles and Princess Anne?



# 'Young People's Party'

By Judith Martin

It was just two young girls and their security guards and half of official Washington or its children at a small dinner-dance at the French Embassy last night given by the Ambassador and Mrs. Kosciusko-Morizet.

The balloons tied to each floral centerpiece said "Valerie-Anne." This was in honor of the press attache at the French Ministry of Culture whose

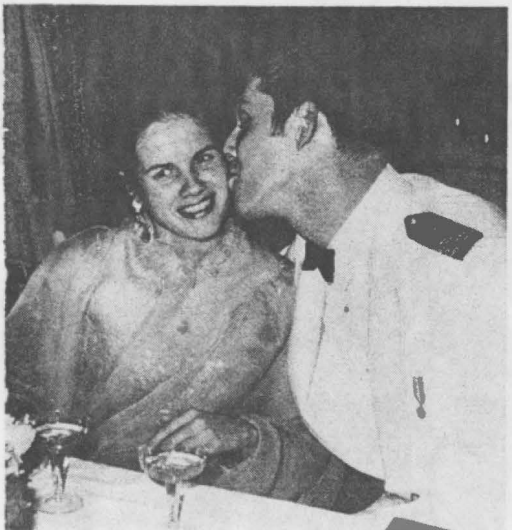
from different countries dined and danced at the French Embassy last night in the middle of the Festival, which they have promised to attend later in the week.

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## M. GISCARD RESCUES A WILTING AZALEA FESTIVAL



During rehearsal, a French official instructs Valérie-Anne and her escort on a proper entrance into the Azalea Ball.



Valérie-Anne's escort, Midshipman First Class Peter Engelman, bestows a gallant smack on her cheek at the ball.

In recent years, the national team has found itself in a lean time. It was founded in 1947, and was found to be identical to the Johnsons. The festival has never, though, failed to fall by the wayside. "I came from France to give the festival a special confidence."

Never before has a full page of Presidential decisions about its azalea festival. None of the d'Estaires presidents.

Oddly, Valérie-Anne made a campaign for spring's largely ignored when she landed for NATO. More than 100 photographers the week of the Oldes.

Oldes children's adviser plays the role of a member accustomed to have no explanation as I proceed on Champs-Élysées in a Left Bank cook, and

times a week, she says. Every night I attend some cultural event. It's my job and I love it."

"Maybe I won't show up for work this Monday afternoon."

GARY CLIFFORD

Photographs by Curt Gooden/Camera 8



## QUOTES AND NOTES

# All the Young Elite Came to the Party

*Quotes and notes from Washington parties, uncovered for The Washington Star by Ymelda Dixon:*

The young people assembled at the French embassy last night for the dinner dance for Valerie Anne Giscard d'Estaing, daughter of the President of France, were as carefully selected as Harry Winston picks precious jewels.

There were scions of old Washington families, New York imports, diplomatic corps progeny, daughters and sons of top administration figures and Congress.

Thursday, April 24, 1975

The Washington



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(VALERIE-ANNE)

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# The presidents' daughters go to a party



By **ANN WOOD**

Of The News Washington Bureau

Ted Kennedy dropped in on the French embassy dinner dance Wednesday honoring Valerie-Anne Giscard d'Estaing, daughter of the president of France, and found he was a senior citizen.

her three best friends from Holton Arms School, Barbara Manfuso and Alison and Reagan Golubin. The unliberated French, who had expected the Golubin twins to be brothers, were surprised to find them very pretty sisters.

Susan was seated for dinner between J. Carter Brown, head of The National Gallery of Art, and



Photos by Guy De Lort



Valerie-Anne Giscard d'Estaing arriving at the White House, with Susan Ford; Comtesse Marina de Brantes; Wendy Murphy; Ted Kennedy; Carol Murphy, daughter of Happy Rockefeller, and Yani Kosciusko-Morizet; Valerie dancing with French Ambassador Jacques Kosciusko-Morizet; Susan dancing with Comte Guy de Brantes; Erik Wachtmeister, son of the Swedish ambassador.

VIVE LA REINE: The younger set stole the show at the French ambassador's dinner-dance in Washington honoring Valerie-Anne Giscard

long." The two had just come from the White House where stockingless Susan took Valerie-Anne on a tour followed by private tea with the first

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Ms. Ford was the perfect hostess. "After you," she insisted as she and Valerie-Anne headed for the buffet. "You've been following me all day

Wendy Murphy, another Happy Rockefeller daughter, was even less certain. She plans to take it easy this summer after graduation, with no specific ideas for a job.  
—SUSAN WATTERS



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## Notes on People

# *Karpov Crowned as Chess King*

Anatoly Karpov was applauded by 1,000 chess fans in Moscow yesterday when he received the laurel crown—an enormous wreath—and modest gold medal of the world chess championship. Leading chess players and



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## Notes on People

# *Vesco Won't Return, Gives Up Citizenship*

Robert L. Vesco has given up his United States citizenship and has no intention of ever returning to this country, he said in a letter made public by **Terrence A. Todman**, United States Ambassador to Costa Rica. Federal officials said recently that

third American visit, reigns this week as queen of the Azalea Festival in Norfolk, Va., now an annual salute to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, which has its naval headquarters there.

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With Gov. Richard F. Kneip

Notes on People

# *Nixon Aide Cancels Speech at Wesleyan*

Charles Alan Wright, a defense counsel whom former President Richard M. Nixon failed to inform about two missing White House tapes, was announced yesterday as

The new president of the State University of New York at Albany will be **Dr. Emmet B. Fields**, now executive vice president and dean of faculties at the University of Houston. Dr. Fields, 51 years

