

White House Fellows
May 13, 1993

Thank you, *Alfonso*
~~Ranna.~~

I want to share with each of you today the programs and processes we are undertaking within the Clinton Domestic Policy Council and a little about the primary principle on which our work is based.

Pres. Clinton: 5 major goals outlined for the cabinet/staff at the Camp David Retreat

1. Economic package
2. Health Care Reform
3. National Service
4. Welfare Reform
5. ~~Campaign Finance/Lobbying Reform~~

Education

Domestic Policy has a finger in each of these pies:

1. Econ. pkg.-emphasis on children/families: economic council (new)
2. Health Care Reform: you have a panel tomorrow on this so I'll save the war stories for them to share. However, I don't want to gloss over it without saying we have some very fundamental decisions to make as a country- and this issue when you stop and think about it is one of the few we can undertake that is so intensely personal to each and every person.
3. National Service: You heard earlier from Eli; two Domestic Policy staff members have worked tirelessly with Eli on the National Service piece as well as the companion student financing reform components.
4. Welfare Reform: working groups; Mary Jo Bane and David Ellwood; paradigm shift- from WORK IN EXCHANGE FOR WELFARE to WORK INSTEAD OF WELFARE. We will here get into child support as well as child care issues.
5. Campaign Finance/Lobbying Reform issues: introduced recently. Two staff members working on this.

*Crime
Immig.
Native Americans
Pesticides in foods*

*Build on
Family
Support
Act '88*

Other projects: Education which is involved in all the others.
Goals 2000. Empowerment zones: collaboration.

But what is really the underlying theme of this Domestic Policy Council:

Every child shall be empowered to develop to her/his fullest throughout her/his life. If we are truly serious about a better economy, competitiveness, etc. for our country, we have not a child to waste....and each of those children must be empowered to become the very best she or he can. This means we will be committed at the top here in DC but it also means the empowerment of parents, neighborhoods, communities and voluntary organizations across this country to work together for the greater good.

We did our best.

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PRESIDENT'S
COMMISSION ON WHITE HOUSE FELLOWSHIPS
THE WHITE HOUSE

September 7, 1993

The Honorable Carol Rasco
2nd Floor, West Wing
The White House

Dear Carol,

On Wednesday, October 6, the President's Commission on White House Fellowships will convene for its annual mid-year meeting. The Commission, made up of distinguished Americans from all walks of life, is scheduled to visit with the President in the afternoon, and to attend a reception at Decatur House in the evening.

I would like to invite you to meet with the Commission over lunch, in order to brief them on the President's domestic policy agenda. Such a briefing would serve several purposes. It would be a reward to the Commission for their ongoing efforts in selecting White House Fellows. More importantly, since the Commissioners are leaders in their communities and professions (see attached press release), they have the potential to serve as highly effective advocates for the Administration's agenda.

Since the date of the mid-year meeting is quickly approaching, I would appreciate a response from you as soon as possible. As always, your support for the Fellowship program is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Brooke

Brooke Shearer
Director

*Oct. 6
Indian Treaty
12:30 - 1:00
Format:
10-15 min. → Admin initiatives
10-15 min. → Q+A
Informal*

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Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

May 20, 1993

PRESIDENT NAMES COMMISSION ON WHITE HOUSE FELLOWSHIPS

(Washington, DC) President Clinton appointed 37 members of the President's Commission on White House Fellowships today, including Olympic gold medalist Edwin Moses, Chief U.S. District Court Judge Jose Cabranes, astronaut Sally Ride, actress Cecily Tyson, Major General Wesley Clark, and Hawaii Governor John Waihee. The Commission will be chaired by Nancy Bekavac, the President of Scripps College.

The Commission on White House Fellowships provides an opportunity for a select group of men and women to spend a year early in their careers serving as paid assistants to cabinet-level officials, members of the President's staff, or in the office of the Vice President. Alumni of the program include the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs, General Colin Powell, and Housing and Urban Development Secretary Henry Cisneros.

"This commission is comprised of some of the brightest, most talented, and most accomplished people in the country," said the President. "I am confident that they will apply the criteria of achievement, leadership and promise to select an outstanding group of fellows. I am especially pleased to note the bipartisan nature of this group, which retains several members appointed by my predecessor."

This weekend, the Commission will convene in Baltimore to select the 1993-94 Class of White House Fellows. Approximately one thousand people applied for the Class, and the Commission will choose about 15 fellows from among the thirty-five who have been chosen as National Finalists.

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The Commission members are:

Nancy Y. Bekavac (Chair), Claremont, CA: President, Scripps College
Frederick S. Benson, III, Washington, DC: Vice President, Weyerhaeuser Co.
Marjorie Benton, Evanston, IL: President, Chaplin Hall Center for Children at the University of Chicago
Michael Beschloss, Washington, DC: Author and historian
Dr. James E. Bostic, Jr., Atlanta, GA: Group Vice President, Communication Papers, Georgia Pacific Corporation
Hon. Jose E. Cabranes, New Haven, CT: Chief U.S. District Judge, District of Connecticut
Julius L. Chambers, Durham, NC: Chancellor, North Carolina Central University; Former Director-Counsel, NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund
Major General Wesley Kanne Clark, Fort Hood, TX: Commanding General, 1st Cavalry Division
Clive S. Cummis, West Orange, NJ: Chairman, Sills Cummis Zuckerman Radin Tischman Epstein & Gross
Ronald R. Davenport, Pittsburgh, PA: Chairman, Sheridan Broadcasting Corp.
Adela de la Torre, Long Beach, CA: Economist & Chair of the Department of Chicano and Latino Studies, California State University, Long Beach
Dr. Anne Cohn Donnelly, Chicago, IL: Executive Director, National Committee for the Prevention of Child Abuse
Jeri A. Eckhart, McLean, VA: President, Eckhart & Co.; President of White House Fellows Foundation and Alumni Assoc.
Carolyn Forrest, Detroit, MI: International Vice President, United Auto Workers
Pauline Gore, Carthage, TN: Member and Managing Partner, Peabody, Rivlin & Gore; Mother of Vice President Gore
Antonia Hernandez, Los Angeles, CA: President & General Counsel, Mexican-American Legal Defense and Education Fund
Robert L. Kagen, MD, Ft. Lauderdale, FL: Medical Director, MRI Scan Center
Hon. James B. King, Ludlow, MA: Director, U.S. Office of Personnel Management
Victor A. Kovner, New York, NY: Partner, Lankenau Kovner & Kurtz; Former Corporation Counsel of the City of New York
Robert M. McGee, Bethesda, MD: President, Occidental International Corp.
Dana Mead, Houston, TX: President and Chief Operating Officer, Tenneco Inc.
Arthur Mitchell, New York, NY: Artistic Director, Dance Theatre of Harlem
Edwin C. Moses, Laguna Hills, CA: Olympic Gold Medalist

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Faylene Curtis Owen, East Lansing, MI: President & CEO, Mica Consulting Corporation
Jan O. Piercy, Chicago, IL: Deputy Director of Presidential Personnel
Hon. Roger B. Porter, McLean, VA: Professor of Government and Business, Harvard University; Domestic Policy Aide to Presidents Ford, Reagan, and Bush
Professor George E. Reedy, Milwaukee, WI: College of Communications, Marquette University; Press Secretary to President Johnson
Sally K. Ride, Ph.D., La Jolla, CA: Professor of Physics, University of California at San Diego; Former NASA Astronaut
Chales T. Royer, Cambridge, MA: Director, Institute of Politics, JFK School of Government; Former Mayor of Seattle
John Saxon, Birmingham, AL: Partner, Cooper, Mitch, Crawford, Kuykendall & Whatley; Former Counsel to U.S. Senate Select Committee on Ethics, and Special Counsel to the U.S. Senate Armed Services Committee
Max Starkloff, St. Louis, MO: President, Paraquad, Inc.
Mary Steenburgen, Ojai, CA: Actress
Elizabeth Guest Stevens, Washington, DC: Editor-at-Large, Random House Publishing
Hon. Stansfield Turner, McLean, VA: Admiral, U.S. Navy (Ret.); Former Director of Central Intelligence
Cicely Tyson, New York, NY: Actress
Hon. John David Waihee, Honolulu, HI: Governor of Hawaii
Hon. Robert Yazzie, Window Rock, AZ: Chief Justice, Navajo Nation

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