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114. Each athlete got here with the support of a nurturing family of coaches, friends and role models. We don't strive or succeed alone. This is an example of how Americans must come together in their communities to meet our nation's challenge in areas like crime, education and preserving our values. Does hearing this make you much more likely to vote for President Clinton, somewhat more likely to vote for him, somewhat less likely to vote for him, or much less likely?

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96. The real meaning of these Olympics is that it shows us examples of what happens when individuals take on personal responsibility for self improvement. It shows what happens when we better ourselves and concentrate our energies on achieving a task. As each of us watches these athletes strive and win as a result of their training we should be inspired to continue our education, get new job skills, to go back to college and to get our degrees or to finish high school so we can make the most of our own lives.

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97. The true meaning of the Olympics is that race and gender and other superficial differences don't really matter. We are Americans under the skin, all working together, all competing together to help our country win. When the pole vaulter clears the bar we don't think if it's a man or a woman, or if he or she is Black, White, Asian or Hispanic - we think that that person is an American and we burst with pride at their success.

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The Olympic Torch is lit every morning, but the flame burns night and day throughout the Olympics.

Torchbearers are passing the flame that burns in the torch to symbolize the passing of spirit, light and knowledge from generation to generation.

The Olympic flame was first lit in modern times in 1928. The Torch Relay began in 1936 in the modern Olympics, but the inspiration for it comes from the ancient Olympics of Greece.

The first recorded Olympic Games of antiquity were held in 776 BC at Olympia, where the Greeks used a polished crucible to concentrate sun rays upon and ignite dry grass. That flame then burned in the temple of Hera during the games.

The ancient games were held while the Greek city-states were at war. Runners, called Heralds of Peace, were sent out to the cities to proclaim a truce and invite athletes to participate.

There was no flame or relay in the first modern Olympics at Athens a century ago, but in 1928 a flame was lit outside the Olympic stadium in Amsterdam; it burned throughout the games.

In 1936, Dr. Carl Diem of Germany conceived the idea of uniting the ancient traditions of the flame and of the heralds by lighting a flame at Olympia and having runners carry the flame on torches to the Olympic site in Berlin. Greek athlete Konstantin Kondylis was the first person to carry the flame. The relay took 12 days and passed through seven countries.

Early in each Olympic year, a ceremony is held in the ruins of the temple sanctuary at Olympia, in which a woman, wearing the robes of an ancient high priestess, uses a parabolic mirror to light a flame with the sun's rays.

The flame is carried in a lantern to the first runner, who transports it to a monument where the heart of Baron de Coubertin (founder of the modern Olympics) is interred. The first torch is lit from that lantern - and the lantern, carefully protected, is carried along the entire route of the relay. The flame is not extinguished until the end of that year's games.

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Flame

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Here's a look at some past relays:

The 1948 relay carried the flame to London from Greece, which was again embroiled in civil war. The first torchbearer, a Greek army corporal, removed his uniform and weapons, and ran in sports clothing to symbolize the truce of the games.

In 1952, cyclists, sailors, canoeists and equestrians joined runners in carrying the torch to Helsinki, Finland.

In 1956, the flame was carried in two miner's lamps and flown to Australia for the games at Melbourne.

The shortest run was to Rome in 1960.

Several torches were joined at Japan's Imperial Palace in 1964 before the final run to the stadium.

The flame retraced Columbus' voyage for the 1968 games at Mexico City.

In 1976, the relay lasted just five days. In Greece, the flame was transferred to a sensor that transmitted electrical impulses via satellite to Montreal where the flame was lit by laser beam. Another unique feature of this relay: For the first time, a man and woman together carried the final torch into the stadium. (They later married.)

The 1984 Torch Run to Los Angeles lasted 84 days, including two in Greece. The flame was carried in safety lamps via helicopter from Olympia to Athens, then flown to New York City.

The 1988 run to Seoul, Korea, took 26 days and included torchbearers on boats, airplanes, horses and motorcycles.

The flame burned in Barcelona in 1992 after being carried for 43 days and passing through 652 towns and cities.

This year, the flame was ignited at Olympia and flown to Los Angeles, where it lit the cauldron from the 1984 games. On April 27, Rafer Johnson, the 1960 Olympic Decathlon Gold Medalist whose torch passed the flame to that cauldron in 1984, touched his torch to the new flame and became the first torchbearer of the 1996 Olympic Games.

10,000 Torchbearers
Reon Carter

First there were 360 - then 43.

That's how many "community heroes" from this region will participate in the 1996 Olympic Torch Relay when it travels through Greater Cincinnati.

They were picked by The Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games and the United Way as part of a nationwide search for people who have made outstanding contributions to their community. Anyone could submit a nomination.

Most of the 360 Greater Cincinnati nominations were reviewed in January by a

panel of 24 judges; Northern Kentucky nominees were judged in the Louisville region.

The 15,000-mile relay began April 27 in Los Angeles and will conclude July 17 in Atlanta at the Opening Ceremony of the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games. It is traveling through 42 states.

Some of the non-pedestrian modes of transportation: a Union Pacific train featuring 18 vintage passenger cars; a rowing shell; a ferry across Puget Sound; a cable car in San Francisco; by horseback retracing some of the original Pony Express route; a biplane; and a street car in New Orleans.

Torchbearers wear a special uniform and carry the flame for up to one kilometer (.62 mile) before igniting the next carrier's flame.

In all, there are 10,000 torchbearers, 5,500 of whom are community heroes; 2,500 were selected through Coca-Cola's "Share the Spirit" program (for local names, see "The Talk" on page 2); the rest include former Olympians (selected by the U.S. Olympic Committee), community leaders, and media and corporate representatives. Among the celebrity torchbearers: Wheel of Fortune's Pat Sajak and Vanna White; film director Bob Zemeckis (Forrest Gump); basketball star Shaquille O'Neal; former heavyweight boxer Sugar Ray Leonard; and ice skater Nancy Kerrigan.

Torch celebration at Sawyer Point

Festivities will take place all along the torch route. But a big celebration is planned for the Bicentennial Commons at Sawyer Point, downtown.

When the torch arrives about 9:18 p.m. Thursday, it will be greeted by the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra and Rozzi fireworks.

The fun starts hours earlier, beginning at 4 p.m. There will be Olympic sporting events and music and dance on stages throughout the park. Games and sporting demonstrations will be held at the tennis and volleyball courts, West Promenade, Great Lawn and Ohio River.

Here's the schedule:

4 p.m. - Silverton Elementary School Choir, Schott Amphitheater.

4:30 p.m. - Frost Und Freunde German Band, Showmobile.

5 p.m. - Caledonia Pipe and Drums, Bicentennial Entrance.

5:15 p.m. - Academy of World Languages, Showmobile.

5:30 p.m. - Singing Fingers, Schott Amphitheater.

6:15 p.m. - Sycamore High School Touring Company, Schott Amphitheater. Drums for Peace, Showmobile.

7 p.m. - Dixie Heights Jazz Band, Schott Amphitheater. Swing, Kathy Wade and Orchestra, Showmobile.

8 p.m. - Cincinnati Pops Orchestra. Information: 352-4000.
Olympic memorabilia

A traveling museum exhibiting Olympic memorabilia will stop at the Holiday Inn - Downtown, 800 W. Eighth St., Queensgate, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Wednesday.

The Holiday Inn Worldwide Olympic Report Cruiser chronicles 100 years of Olympic history, offers video of past Olympic performances, and is free. Information: 241-8660.

Olympic online

The arrival of the torch Thursday and its departure ceremonies on Friday can be viewed on the Internet through Cincinnati Bell Telephone's Web site. WLWT (Channel 5) provides the images, which can be viewed by logging on to <http://torchcam.fuse.net> or <http://www.cinbelltel.com>.

Follow the torch to Atlanta via <http://www.atlanta.olympic.org>.

Olympic TV

WLWT (Channel 5) will air a live one-hour special, Dreams of Gold (8 p.m. Thursday). Channel 5 will interrupt a one-hour Seinfeld for a live report when the torch arrives in Cincinnati. Seinfeld and ER will be aired in their entirety, delaying Channel 5's late news. The station also plans live reports Friday.

The torch's arrival

The torch will arrive in Covington at 7:54 p.m. Thursday, pass City Hall on Madison at 8:12 p.m., cross the Suspension Bridge at 8:18 p.m. and weave through Downtown Cincinnati to arrive at Sawyer Point at 9:18 p.m.

KENTUCKY

Ghent - 2:47 p.m. Thursday

Warsaw - 4:35 p.m. Thursday

Florence - 5:50 p.m. Thursday

Crestview Hills - 7:02 p.m. Thursday

Ft. Mitchell - 7:17 p.m. Thursday

Covington - 7:54 p.m. Thursday

OHIO

Cincinnati - 8:20 p.m. Thursday

Silverton - 8:13 a.m. Friday

Sycamore Twp. - 8:23 a.m. Friday

Montgomery - 8:58 a.m. Friday

Foster - 10:49 a.m. Friday

Hopkinsville - 11:19 a.m. Friday

Morrow - 12:10 p.m. Friday

Roachester - 12:31 p.m. Friday

Sligo - 1:05 p.m. Friday

Wilmington - 1:15 p.m. Friday

The torch's departure

The Olympic Torch Relay will take a rest after Thursday evening's celebration at Sawyer Point then will continue Friday morning at 6:15 a.m. at Fountain Square with a brief ceremony that includes entertainment. At 6:30 a. m., the torch will be carried east from the square on Fifth Street, make a left on Sentinel (6:34 a.m.), a right on Sixth Street (6:35 a.m.) and a left on Eggleston (6:36 a.m.). Then it will travel on Broadway (6:39 a.m.) to make a right on Reading Road, a right on Elsinore (6:45 a.m.) and a left on Gilbert, past the old planetarium (6:46 a.m.). Then the relay will head to Montgomery Road (Route 22) and through the suburbs on to Columbus.

A little trivia about the '96 Olympic Games torch
John Johnston

Features: It's designed to resemble an ancient torch, which consisted of a cluster of reeds bound by twine.

The '96 version has 22 aluminum "reeds" - one for each Olympic Games - with a center handle of Georgia pecan wood (turned, drilled and finished by Hillerich & Bradsby Co., makers of Louisville Slugger).

Dimensions: 32 inches high; 2 1/4 inches in diameter at the bottom; 3 1/2 inches at the top. It is the tallest torch for a Summer Olympics, and the only one intended to be held in the middle.

Burn time: 30 to 40 minutes per torch. A small tank in the base holds the propylene fuel.

Designer: Some controversy here, and a Cincinnati connection. In publicity material, the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games credits Greek-American Peter Mastrogianis, vice president of Providence, R.I.-based Malcolm Grear Designers Inc. But, "He no longer works here," says Joel Grear, the firm's executive vice president. "It's completely false information they're distributing, using his name. All the projects here are done as a team effort. " Malcolm Grear (Joel's father) is a graduate of Cincinnati Art Academy.

Other items the firm has designed for the '96 Games: the medals, pictograms, commemorative poster, traveling cauldron, safety lantern and torch relay train

car.

Engineered by: Georgia Institute of Technology professors and students, and the Atlanta Gas Light Co.

Assembled by: American Meter Co., Erie, Pa.

Number produced: About 17,000. Each torchbearer has the opportunity to purchase the torch he or she carries for \$ 275.

Tale of torch

22 aluminum "reeds" represent each time the Modern Games have been played

ACOG's logo is on top band

32 inches (taller than any other Summer Olympic Games torch): weighs 3 1/2 pounds, including fuel.

Hardwood center serves as a handle.

Each host city's name is etched in a gold-plated brass band.

Dual burner-a first-will help the flame resist rain and wind up to 40 mph. Small tank in base holds enough propane to keep flame burning 30-40 minutes.

Designer; Peter Mastrogiannis

Former Olympians who will be Tristate torchbearers

Oscar Robertson, Columbia Tusculum, basketball, 1960 (gold)

Darrell Pace, Hamilton, archery, 1976 (gold)

George Wilson, North Avondale, basketball, 1964 (gold)

Lucinda Williams Adams, Dayton, Ohio 200-meter run in 1956 and 4x100-meter relay, 1960 (gold)

Adrian Smith, Anderson Township, basketball, 1960 (gold)

Ross Wales, Hyde Park, 100-meter butterfly, 1968 (bronze)

Roland Muhlen, Green Township, sprint canoeing, 1972, 1976

Greg Steward, Hyde Park, sprint canoeing, 1988, 1992

Not pictured: Luong Pham, Kettering, taekwondo, 1988

Community Heroes

Here's a look at the Tristate "Community Heroes" who will be among those carrying the Olympic flame this week; they were selected by The Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games and the United Way

Bradley Arling, 26, was a star soccer player before suffering a head injury as a teen-ager after which he spent two months in a coma. Since then, he has struggled to overcome cognitive disorder and now lives on his own in Mount Adams. He speaks to school and church groups about safety and disabilities. About being selected to carry the torch, he says, "I feel like a part of history."

George Blake, 50, of Anderson Township, is The Enquirer's vice president for community affairs. He is chairman of the Family Development Council and the Cincinnati Sports and Events Commission and is active with numerous charities, including the FreeStore - FoodBank and the Boy Scouts. "This is an exciting opportunity to be a part of the biggest sporting event of the year," he says.

Herb Brown, 55, of Springfield Township, is vice president for public relations at Western Southern Life. He's been involved for more than three decades with the United Way, Boy Scouts, Greater Cincinnati Foundation and the Cincinnati Board of Education. "From childhood on, I've watched the Olympics and watched people carry the torch . . . it's a personal feeling of accomplishment to be able to represent Cincinnati."

Arnold Bush, 59, of Winton Terrace, is a former professional boxer who started the Winton Terrace Boxing Club 25 years ago to help neighborhood youths. His team won the state championship this year. He is vice president of the Winton Terrace Community Council and organizes an annual block party. He calls carrying the torch "a once-in-a-lifetime honor. . . . I think I'll trot rather than run, because I just had a heart operation. But my doctor says it will be good for me."

Fred Cooper, 51, of Middletown, is executive director of Middle-town YMCA. He is a board member of Middletown Area Survival Heartbeat (which has trained more than 10,000 people in CPR) and the Dental Emergency Fund for Area Children, and is chairman of First Baptist Church of Middletown's board of trustees. "I'm not as fit as I used to be, so I'm training and I've started a weight loss program. I tell people I'm carrying the torch to represent all the short, little fat guys."

Lisa Crawford, 39, of Harrison, is volunteer coordinator at the Pauline Warfield Lewis Center. She also is president of Fernald Residents for Environmental Safety and Health. "Everyday I get more excited about carrying the torch. It's exciting and a little scary. I'm not a very athletic person. I hope I'm up to the challenge."

Melody Dacey, 48, of Edgewood, is principal of Bond Hill School and was nominated to carry the torch because of her success in involving parents and community leaders in improving the school. "It's a great honor, not just for me but for the school. It is the children, the parents and the staff that have made the difference here," she says.

Jonathan Dolle, 18, of Finneytown, volunteers in a before-school child care program and tutors children with learning disabilities through Finneytown High School's Community Service Program. Through his church, Northminster Presbyterian, he works on inner-city rehabilitation projects and has done missionary work in South Carolina and Costa Rica. "The torch relay is a symbolic event. I see it more as a way to celebrate the volunteer efforts of the entire

community, not just what I do."

Megan Duane, 13, of West Chester, is in a wheelchair with spina bifida. Her father, Michael Duane, always dreamed of carrying the Olympic torch, but when the opportunity came, he nominated his daughter instead. She volunteers as a timekeeper at basketball games and swim meets at Liberty Junior High School. "It's pretty neat and the kids at school think it's pretty cool, too," Megan says of carrying the torch.

Alma Edelmann, 74, of Hyde Park, is on the advisory board of the Hyde Park Center for Older Adults, where she is a volunteer in the center's services and activities. "I'm an active walker so I won't run with the torch, I'll walk with it. My sister from Texas and two cousins from Germany are going to come and watch."

Michael Enderly, 52, of Monfort Heights, a triathlete, competes regionally and nationally. He volunteers with the Kiwanis Club, YMCA and his church, and supports young people for mission work here and overseas. "I've always, as a U.S., citizen followed the Olympics. . . . Being this close to it is a lifelong type of thing."

Joe Erpenbeck, 35, of Westwood, is director of the Hamilton County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities. He is an active proponent of providing opportunities for individuals with disabilities. He is a volunteer with the Westwood Civic Association, Westwood Methodist Church, Gamble-Nippert YMCA and Westwood School PTA. "I do a lot of running, and I've always been into the Olympics. It's great just for the opportunity to have a small role to play in the Olympic Games."

Mary Ann Fischer, 36, of Maineville, works in the Outdoor School Program of Joy Outdoor Education Center. She is a 4-H volunteer and has designed a baking class for clients of a Cincinnati soup kitchen. "The strength of a community comes from its volunteers. . . . I'll be running to represent all the people who volunteer in their communities."

Chester Greene, 64, of Georgetown, Ohio, survived a serious bicycle accident at 12 to become a member of the first cross country team at Morehead State. More recently, he ran in the 1,500 meters at the 1995 World Games in Buffalo, N.Y. During his 37-year teaching career he was selected as a candidate for the Teacher on the Moon Mission. Last year, he visited the site of the original Olympic Games. "I never thought I'd be picked, and I don't know why I was. . . . It's one of the greatest honors."

Paul Hackman, 57, of Forest Park. A kidney transplant saved his life so in return Mr. Hackman pledged to do his part by giving more than 200 presentations a year about organ donation and renal health care at high schools, nursing schools, businesses and community groups. On carrying the torch: "It's an honor and a privilege that many people don't get to experience."

Holly Holmes, 19, of Mariemont, has worked with toddlers, senior citizens and profoundly retarded adults in her volunteer projects. Ms. Holmes, who has Down syndrome, also competes in Special Olympics. "It's great to feel like a small part of an event as big as the Olympics."

Thomas Houston, 57, of Wilder, has been a volunteer with Radio Reading Service for 19 years, where he hosts "Off the Shelf" and does personal reading. He is associate conductor of the Cincinnati Civic Orchestra. "By carrying the torch I'm representing the over 600 people in the Greater Cincinnati area who do radio reading."

James Kelleher, 45, of Oakwood, is a community leader and volunteer who has provided free legal services to the poor and served as a trustee for Catholic Social Services in Dayton, Ohio. He also has been chairman for a United Way fund-raising campaign twice. "Carrying the torch symbolizes the goodwill between all the peoples of the world that participate in the Olympic games."

Chad Kincaid, 19, of Norwood, is a cross-country running champion and was named Volunteer of the Year by the Norwood YMCA. He maintains a 3.5 grade point average at Norwood High School. "I'm thrilled to be a part of the Olympics and to represent Norwood."

Berta Lambert Jr., 54, of Over-the-Rhine, is the 1995 winner of the Maurice McCrackin Peace and Justice Award. He volunteers at Over-the-Rhine clean-up efforts, bake sales and festivals, and at the Greater Cincinnati Coalition for the Homeless. "I'm a political activist in a low-income area, where people aren't usually honored by the community. I'm probably the poorest torchbearer."

Carol Laux, 35, of West Chester, ran in the 1995 New York Marathon to raise more than \$ 3,000 for leukemia research. She also participated on the Federated team for United Way's 1994 Community Care Week, doing work at the Alice Paul house (a shelter for battered women) and is a tutor at Heberle Elementary School. "I am carrying the torch in recognition of all the dedicated volunteers at Federated Department Stores."

Russ Lemons, 26, of Independence, is development director at Diocesan Catholic Children's Home. He volunteers as an advocate for abused and neglected children and donated a year to serve as volunteer director of youth development for the city of Georgetown, Ky. He says carrying the torch "symbolizes the tremendous feats accomplished by everyday people."

Jennifer Logeman, 29, of East Walnut Hills, is a member of the Leukemia Society's Team-in-Training and has raised contributions by running in the New York City Marathon. She also volunteers for People Working Cooperatively's annual Repair Affair, which helps elderly and low-income homeowners. "It's overwhelming to me to think that I will have an opportunity to be a little part of history."

Ann Mackzum, 17, is a junior at Finneytown High and a volunteer at the Drop-Inn Center, a homeless shelter. She spends Saturdays helping rehab abandoned buildings into low-income housing. She also tutors first-graders. "I'm proud because I'm one of three students from my school participating. I think it says a lot for our school."

Emily Mittermeir, 14, of Price Hill, volunteers at a nursing home run by the Little Sisters of the Poor in Clifton. Her duties include planning holiday meals, feeding and creating crafts with residents. "It's an honor to be able to participate in an historical event so early in my lifetime."

Bob Pape, 66, of Anderson Township, conducts workshops for the Anderson Senior Activity Center, Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce and New Perceptions, a United Way agency that helps mentally retarded individuals. He is also active with Tall Stacks and the Executive Service Corp. "I lived in Atlanta for a while and I'm an avid runner, so when you combine the two, I'm elated to be participating."

Nathan Pendell, 16, of Sabina, Ohio, is a junior at East Clinton High School and a wheelchair athlete who is training for the 1996 Paralympics. He holds five national records. "It's important to me," he says of carrying the torch, "because I'm only one of a few who got picked."

V. Daniel Radford, 54, of Clifton Heights, pioneered the Surviving Unemployment Worker Program and Dislocated Workers Job Bank, which earned an AFL-CIO Community Services Model City Award. He's on the executive committee of United Way & Community Chest. Director of the Greater Cincinnati AFL-CIO, he says, "The torch symbolizes how labor carries the torch for working families."

Denise Rohmiller, 22, of Villa Hills, volunteers at a home for the developmentally disabled and has volunteered as a swim instructor for disabled children at Redwood School. She says the relay offers "National recognition for all the years of volunteering. I know a lot of people are not being recognized, but it's like I'm carrying the torch for all those who volunteer."

Daniel Rolfes, 52, of Loveland, is a trustee of Chatfield College, a charter member of the Clermont 2001 Committee, a member of the board of directors of Boys Hope and a 1995 Clermont County Pacesetter of the Year. "What makes this even more special for me is that I was nominated by my employees. Besides, I needed a push to get in shape, this might do it."

Rich Ronald, 36, of Westwood, is volunteer youth director at Fellowship Christian Church in Monfort Heights, where he counsels, teaches and organizes events to improve the spiritual values of teens. "It was a real surprise to be selected and I feel like a part of history. It's going to be a lot of fun."

Jim Scott, 53, of Lawrenceburg, Ind., uses his radio show on WWNK-FM (94.1 MHz) to help publicize community events. He also serves on the board of many non-profit organizations. "Carrying the torch means that life is good and full of sweet, unexpected surprises."

Patricia Smallsreed, 41, of Anderson Township, is volunteer president of People Working Cooperatively. She donates about 10 hours a week as a professional management consultant. "Carrying the torch (symbolizes) the community involvement we all need to have in Cincinnati, the community at large and what we all do to make a difference."

Michael Smith, 42, of Liberty Township, ran his first race for Cerebral Palsy when he was 12. He developed and organized a race to benefit the Hamilton County Special Olympics. He volunteers each Saturday as a scorekeeper for mentally handicapped bowlers. "The Olympics is the one time when the world stands together. For me it's the thrill of being a part of that experience."

Robert Smith, 47, of Colerain Township, has been a Cincinnati firefighter for 21 years. He started Juvenile Fire Setters, a program that helps children. He

also volunteers about 30 hours a week teaching students fire safety and prevention. "I'm not just carrying the torch for me, it's for the rest of the people who do work like me. I'm doing it for the 1996 Learn Not to Burn champions."

William St. Pierre, 46, of Villa Hills, has volunteered for more than 30 years for his church, and youth groups. He is an appointed delegate to the White House Conference on Aging and leads a state team working on a youth initiative at the Carter Center in Atlanta. "The torch . . . stresses common people and communities, and what people do to make their communities the best they can be."

Sarah Steel, 13, of Finneytown, is an eighth-grader at Finneytown Middle School. She had a cardiac arrest in 1990 during which her father saved her by CPR. She has been diagnosed with a rare heart disease. A straight "A" student, she also is a cheerleader, choir member and youth group leader. "I'm glad I could help in the Olympics and participate because it's something that's fun and that you don't get to do everyday."

Monica Stratman, 18, of Vandalia, Ohio, is a senior at Butler High School. She works with inner-city children, challenging them to improve their academic and leadership skills. She helped build four homes in Appalachia and in the renovation of schools in Jamaica. "I volunteer with children a lot, and I think it's (carrying the torch) a good example to them. It shows them the benefits of doing good and working hard."

Deb Turner, 43, of Loveland, has been a volunteer with the Cincinnati Red Cross for 25 years, training children and adults in water safety, first aid and CPR. She also is a Boy Scout troop leader and Sunday school teacher. "The Olympics is the greatest sporting event in the world, and I get to be a little piece of it."

Cookie Vogelpohl, 54, of Western Hills, was instrumental in starting the St. Francis Soup Kitchen and Our Daily Bread, where she now serves as director. "Carrying the torch is a great privilege for me and the people we serve." Larry Weber, 48, of Norwood, has volunteered for events including Cincinnati Bicentennial, Tall Stacks and Sister City Project. He has participated in fund-raisers for a number of charities and has played Santa for the Women, Infants & Children Program. "It's an opportunity to share in a small way the pride of being a part of the U.S. Olympics."

Robert Wehling, 57, of Wyoming, a senior VP at Procter & Gamble, was instrumental in creating the Cincinnati office of the Children's Defense Fund and the Cincinnati Youth Collaborative. He personally raised \$ 100,000 for the March of Dimes and has held leadership roles at United Way and Community Chest. "This is a once-in-a-lifetime chance to be a part of the Olympics and something important to the country."

Note: As of press time, The Enquirer was unable to contact torchbearer Rebecca Nored.

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Author unknown. Framed saying on the mirror of Senator John C. Culver's office, 1978.—Elizabeth Drew, "A Reporter at Large (Senator John C. Culver—part I)," *The New Yorker*, September 11, 1978, p. 60. Disclaimed by Robert A. Heinlein, noted science fiction author.

Positive thinking

1433 For myself I am an optimist—it does not seem to be much use being anything else.

Prime Minister WINSTON CHURCHILL, speech, Lord Mayor's banquet, London, November 9, 1954.—*Winston S. Churchill: His Complete Speeches, 1897-1963*, ed. Robert Rhodes James, vol. 8, pp. 8603-4 (1974).

1434 Look up and not down;
Look forward and not back;
Look out and not in;
Lend a Hand.

EDWARD EVERETT HALE, motto of the Lend a Hand Society.

The first Lend a Hand Club was founded in 1871, followed by the incorporation of a league of clubs, the Lend a Hand Society, in 1891. Edward E. Hale, who founded the first club in Boston, Massachusetts, later became chaplain to the United States Senate.

See also No. 899.

1435 Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see the shadow.

Attributed to HELEN KELLER, inscription in autograph album of Lafayette E. Cornwell, Yonkers, New York.—Walter Fogg, *One Thousand Sayings of History*, p. 17 (1929).

While this sentence has been attributed to Keller several times, Keller experts at the American Federation for the Blind in New York City have never been able to find it.

 **1436** If you think you are beaten, you are;
If you think you dare not, you don't.
If you'd like to win, but think you can't,
It's almost a cinch you won't.
If you think you'll lose, you're lost,
For out in the world we find
Success begins with a fellow's will;
It's all in the state of mind.

If you think you're outclassed, you are;
You've got to think high to rise.
You've got to be sure of yourself before
You can ever win a prize.
Life's battles don't always go
To the stronger or faster man;
But soon or late the man who wins
Is the one who thinks he can.

WALTER D. WINTLE, "The Man Who Thinks He Can."—*Poems That Live Forever*, comp. Hazel Felleman, p. 310 (1965).

starving, then our Empire beyond the seas, armed and guarded by the British Fleet, would carry on the struggle, until, in God's good time, the New World, with all its power and might, steps forth to the rescue and the liberation of the old.

Prime Minister WINSTON CHURCHILL, speech in the House of Commons after successful evacuation of Allied troops at Dunkirk, France, June 4, 1940.—*Winston S. Churchill: His Complete Speeches, 1897-1963*, ed. Robert Rhodes James, vol. 6, p. 6231 (1974).

1355 Nothing in the World can take the place of persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful men with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination are omnipotent. The slogan "press on" has solved and always will solve the problems of the human race.

Attributed to CALVIN COOLIDGE. Unverified, though this appeared on the cover of the program of a memorial service for him in 1933. The Forbes Library, Northampton, Massachusetts, has searched its Coolidge collection many times for this.

1356 Diamonds are only chunks of coal,
That stuck to their jobs, you see.

MINNIE RICHARD SMITH, "Stick to Your Job," lines 1-2.—Christian F. Kleinknecht, *Poor Richard's Anthology of Thoughts on Success*, p. 44 (1947).

1357 We should never despair, our Situation before has been unpromising and has changed for the better, so I trust, it will again. If new difficulties arise, we must only put forth New Exertions and proportion our Efforts to the exigency of the times.

General GEORGE WASHINGTON, letter to Major General Philip Schuyler, July 15, 1777.—*The Writings of George Washington*, ed. John C. Fitzpatrick, vol. 8, p. 408 (1933).
This letter concerns the loss of Fort Ticonderoga.

1358 When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all up hill,
. . . When care is pressing you down a bit,
Rest, if you must—but don't you quit.
. . . Often the goal is nearer than
It seems to a faint and faltering man,
Often the struggler has given up
When he might have captured the victor's cup.

Author unknown, "Don't Quit."—Hazel Felleman, *The Best Loved Poems of the American People*, pp. 113-14 (1936, reprinted 1957).

Perverseness

1359 Yet I am not more sure that my soul lives, than I am that perverseness is one of the primitive impulses of the human heart—one of the indivisible primary faculties, or sentiments, which give direction to the character of Man.

EDGAR ALLAN POE, "The Black Cat," *Edgar Allan Poe*, ed. Philip Van Doren Stern, p. 299 (1945). Originally published in 1843.

1647 The biggest problem today is that the Olympic Games have become so important that political people want to take control of them. Our only salvation is to keep free from politics. — *Avery Brundage, Olympic president, at the 1964 Olympics.*

1648 The greater and more important the Olympic Games become, the more they are open to commercial, political, and now, criminal pressure. — *Avery Brundage, Olympic president, after 11 Israeli athletes were murdered during the 1972 Olympics.*

1649 I am not interested in medals or titles. I don't need them. I need the love of the public and I fight for it. — *Olga Korbut, Russian gymnast.*

1650 I had a teacher once who told me that I'd have to learn that there was more to life than hockey. Looking back, I figure, what did she know? — *Mike Eruzione, U.S. hockey captain.*

1651 I have often thought of those many Olympic winners who have, unknown to the world, died from disease. — *Paavo Nurmi, Finnish middle distance gold medalist.*

1652 I hope East Germany wins all the medals. It would shake our people up. I hate inefficiency. Our country is not getting the most out of its potential. — *Mac Wilkins, U.S. discus gold medalist.*

1653 I know how to smile, I know how to laugh, I know how to play. But I know how to do these things only after I have finished my mission. — *Nadia Cemaneci, Rumanian gymnast.*

1654 If nobody plays, everybody is equal. — *Harry Edwards, educator, calling for a black boycott of the 1968 Olympics.*

1655 If participation in sport is to be stopped every time laws of humanity are violated, there will never be any international contests. — *Avery Brundage, Olympic president.*

1656 I have seen many things in life, many things in war and I have cried many times in my life. But when the runner carries the flame into the stadium, and the birds are freed and all the flags in the world are flying, I cry. I must cry. — *Jules Ladoumegue, French middle distance silver medalist, on the opening ceremony.*

1657 It felt like a regular jump. — *Bob Beamon, U.S. long jump gold medalist, after breaking the world record by nearly two feet.*

1658 I wasn't invited to shake hands with Hitler, but I wasn't invited to the White House to shake hands with the President either. — *Jesse Owens, U.S. four-time gold medalist, on prejudice in the U.S.*

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Illustrated, Sep. 13, 1965, p. 109.

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The Observer, Aug. 22, 1982.

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Future Sport, 1982, p. 23.

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Selected Readings, 1970, p. 239.

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*Begin?: A Look into the Origins
of Man at Play*, 1973.

Dictionary of Sports Quotations 153

5 Sport is any game or recreation played to a set of rules. A fisherman sitting on a bank is indulging in a recreation until he does it competitively; aeromodelling is a recreation but put some rules on it and it becomes a sport.
Christopher Brasher

The Observer, Aug. 22, 1982.

6 The fact that sport is basically non-rational is not always evident to those who are totally absorbed in it.
Jan Broekhoff

'Sport and Ethics in the Context of Culture',
in R. G. Osterhoudt (ed.), *The Philosophy of Sport:
A Collection of Original Essays*, 1973, p. 221.

7 Fraternity is a big part of sport.
Tamara Bykova

Sport in the USSR, Oct., 1983, p. 3.

8 The ideal of sport is built on determination and abnegation. As a rule an effort is never lost.
Georges Carpentier

The Art of Boxing, 1926, p. 34.

9 In its highest aspect the sporting spirit is one of the simplest yet most effective moralities known to mankind.
Norman Clark

How to Box, 1931, p. 7.

10 Sport is an institutionalised competitive activity that involves physical exertion or the use of relatively complex skills by an individual whose participation is motivated by a combination of intrinsic satisfaction associated with the activity itself and the external rewards earned through participation.
J. J. Coakley

Sport in Society; Issues and Controversies, 1978.

11 Sport is a highly charged, achievement-laden situation, one in which an individual or a group performance is compared not only to the performance of others, but also to absolute standards of height, speed, distance, and time.
Bryant J. Cratty

Social Psychology in Athletics, 1981, p. 129.

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- 5 Will-to-win is not the key to Australia's success in sport, but it
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H. Gordon

'The Reasons Why', in T. D. Jaques and G. R. Pavia (ed.),
*Sport in Australia: Selected Readings in
Physical Activity*, 1973, p. 96.

- 6 Success is important but defeats are valuable.

C. M. Jones

Bowls: How to Become a Champion, 1972, p. 137.

- 7 Everyone has a will to win but very few have a will to prepare
to win.

Vince Lombardi.

Quoted by Dr Robert D. Steadward.

*AJHPER, The Australian Journal For Health,
Physical Education and Recreation*, Autumn, no. 91, 1981.

- 8 Winning isn't everything; it's the only thing.

Vince Lombardi

(Attributed)

- 9 The desire to win is sometimes so strong that sport cannot
contain it; when this natural desire is reinforced with political
pressures it is small wonder that on occasions the structure of
the sporting event bursts asunder

P. C. McIntosh

Sport in Society, 1963, p. 199.

- 10 The win ethic is epitomized in professional sport where, irres-
pective of the attitudes of the players, the sole function in terms
of the organization and consumers is to win.

Alan Metcalfe

British Journal of Physical Education,
vol. 6, no. 1, Jan-Feb., 1975, p. 8.

- 11 Winning is both excellence and vindication in the face of the
gods.

Michael Novak

The New York Times, Jan. 30, 1977.

- 12 When you win you eat better, sleep better and your beer tastes
better. And your wife looks like Gina Lollobrigida.

Johnny Pesky

'Scorecard', *Sports Illustrated*, May 20, 1963.

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1660 The marathon is a very boring race. — *Emil Zatopek, Czechoslovakian
marathon gold medalist, after winning his first attempt at the race.*

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taking part; the essential thing in life is not conquering, but fighting
well. — *Pierre de Coubertin, founder of the modern Olympic Games.*

1662 Nothing is more synonymous of our national success than is our
national success in athletics. — *Douglas MacArthur, U.S. Olympic
Committee president.*

1663 The Olympics are more for the average players. Going to the Olympics
is their last chance at glory. — *Elvin Hayes, Houston Rockets center,*
on why he did not play in the Olympics.

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so the world can count how many medals each country won. — *John Carlos,*
U.S. sprint bronze medalist.

1665 The Olympics should be a contest of all sportsmen, with no regard for
color, race or wealth. — *Karl Schranz, Austrian skier, after being
disqualified for professionalism.*

1666 People who say the Games are (too) nationalistic are ones who never
had the opportunity of standing atop the victory stand. It's a tremen-
dous feeling when you stand there and watch your flag fly above all the
others. For me it was the fulfillment of a nine year dream. And I couldn't
forget the country that brought me there. — *Jesse Owens, former Olympic
champion.*

1667 Propaganda for politicians and gratification of human vanity.
— *Thomas Keller, International Sports Federation chairman, on the
Olympics.*

1668 The rest of us are children. — *Igor Ter-Ovanesyan, Russian long jump-
er, after hearing of Bob Beamon's shattering world record.*

1669 Some guys go to war for their country, and these guys won't even play
basketball for it. — *Kevin Loughery, New York Nets coach, on the
players who refuse to play in the Olympics.*

1670 Sports is an international phenomenon, like science or music. — *Avery
Brundage, Olympic president.*

1671 Start shaving, I guess. — *Bob Mathias, 17-year-old decathlon gold medalist, asked how he would celebrate his decathlon victory.*

1672 Thanks, King. — *Jim Thorpe, U.S. decathlon gold medalist, after Sweden's King Gustav V told him he was the world's greatest athlete.*

1673 This flag dips to no earthly king. — *Ralph Rose, U.S. flag-bearer in 1908.*

1674 Under the Soviet system, everyone is subservient to the state. The Russians are no more professional than the Americans, who give their athletes free college educations. — *Avery Brundage, Olympic president, asked about Soviet professionalism.*

1675 The United States, and every country of power in the world, should do everything possible to keep — indeed, to improve — the Olympic program. Only an Olympian can fully realize the grip the Games have on the youth of the world, and this is especially true throughout the U.S. The Olympic image has far more influence than a great majority realize, and I still have the mail to prove it. Problems can be solved — must be solved. If we lose the Olympics and all they represent, our civilization will have taken a sad step backward. — *Jesse Owens, former Olympic champion.*

1676 We should send the NBA champs to represent us in basketball at the Olympics. And, if the Russians don't like it, then tell them to go to hell. — *Bobby Knight, Indiana basketball coach, on the 1976 Olympics.*

1677 A world record is made to be broken, but an Olympic title is forever. — *Gaston Reiff, Belgian middle-distance gold medalist.*

1678 Yes, we are victorious. — *Spiridon Louis, Greek marathon gold medalist, after winning the race in the first modern Olympics in 1896.*

1679 You don't see anyone defecting from America, do you? There must be something right with the system. — *John Powell, U.S. discus thrower.*

1680 You can't be common because the common man goes nowhere. You have got to be uncommon. — *Herb Brooks, U.S. hockey coach.*

1681 You're playing worse every day, and right now you're playing like the middle of next month. — *Herb Brooks, U.S. hockey coach, to the U.S. team.*

Pool (& Billiards)

1682 Bums play pool, gentlemen play billiards. — *Danny McGoorty, billiard player.*

1683 Every player's an egotist. You lost a game; you get 10 in his honor. — *Willis, pool player.*

1684 Fats, you ever get the feeling feeling. — *Paul Newman, as Fats.*

1685 Greater love hath no man than this: that he lay down his life for his friends. — *Luther Lassiter, pool player.*

1686 A hustler is anyone who has the nerve to play pool.

1686a Proficiency at billiards reflects

1687 Show me a man who doesn't care. — *Will Johnston, pool player.*

1688 Women really shoot billiards. — *Dorothy Wise, pool player.*

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1689 If I'm reincarnated, I want to be a pool player. I want to work eight seconds, then eat a steak. — *rodeo cowboy.*

1690 The rodeo cowboy represents the pool player. — *Gordon Hanson, R.*

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1691 Enthusiasm is everything. It's the only thing that counts. — *Pelé, soccer player.*

draft, thursday, 6/20/96, 2 p.m.

President William J. Clinton
Prepared Remarks
Departure of Olympic Torch from South Lawn
June 21, 1996

Today we send forth the Olympic torch to continue to light the way to the Olympic Games in Atlanta. This flame has seen more of America than most people will see in a lifetime. And much of America has seen it, cheered it and the people bearing it. The gentleman who carried it here this morning is someone we all should cheer: Lang Brown has devoted himself to helping teenagers find their way to self-sufficiency and responsible lives. He's brought some of them here today. We thank them.

Mr. Brown is one of thousands of community heroes chosen to carry the torch. It has been carried by a woman in Arizona who took in more than 100 abandoned children... by a New York businessman who is helping to put thousands of disadvantaged young people through college... by a woman who now works at the school she helped to integrate as a child in New Orleans. [checking for possible substitutes.]

It is fitting that such heroes bear the torch. It illuminates the ideals that guide us to be our best. In that way, our community heroes and our Olympians and Paralympians are truly champions, co-travelers on a certain road of dedication, determination and faith.

When individuals take personal responsibility to make themselves the best they can be, no goal is out of reach. That's what the Olympics show us. If we could summon that spirit of human enterprise for every life, imagine the possibility. Every American faces his or her own hurdles. It might be finishing high school or college, or being a good parent, a good child or a good neighbor. But we have seen that even the high hurdles can be cleared.

And we know that no champion wins alone. They need a nurturing family of coaches, friends and role models who come together to help them. That's how America must face its challenges, too. To wipe out crime, build up education and preserve our best values -- we need to come together.

When the Games open in Atlanta in 28 days, the world will see a diverse America that has come together as one America -- working together to win. Whether man or woman, black or white, Hispanic or Asian-American -- our athletes are on the court, on the track, in the pool and in the arena because they are the best. They are American. They make us all proud to be a part of Team USA.

Americans love fair play, competition and of course, to win, no matter the odds to be battled. Perhaps no one knows that better than the Olympian who will carry the torch away today, Carla McGhee.

Eight years ago, Carla almost died in a car accident. She thought she might never walk again. But here she is. Since that accident, she has helped win a national championship for the University of Tennessee Lady Vols, and now, we hope she'll work the same magic for our Olympic Women's Basketball Team. And if Team USA wins, Carla will display her medal in a community center in her hometown of Peoria, Illinois, where it can inspire more young people.

May the Olympic flame always carry the ideals that burn in athletes like Carla McGhee and in our torchbearers -- the community heroes, the veterans of war and keepers of peace, and all who have run with it, walked with it, wheeled it and set eyes on it. And may these ideals cast light on every shadow and brighten every dream on the road to tomorrow.

God bless America. And , to Carla and all our Olympians: Godspeed.

She went Mt West - with a male
Chimpanzee for the U.S.I. the
Vice Pres. is home.

7:20 a.m.

**CEREMONY FOR THE LIGHTING OF THE OLYMPIC
FLAME** (confirm title)

- **THE FOUR PRINCIPALS** are announced to HONORS from the Blue Room and proceed down the Balcony to the stage on the South Portico.
- The National Anthem of the United States is played by the Marine Band.
- 7:25 - **THE FIRST LADY** makes remarks (2 min) and introduces Mrs. Gore.
- ~~7:25~~ - **Mrs. Gore** makes remarks (2 min.) and introduces Billy Payne, President & CEO, ACOG .
- 7:30 - **Billy Payne, President & CEO, AGOG**, makes remarks (2 min.) and introduces the Vice President.
- 7:32 - **The Vice President** makes remarks. (3 min.)
- 7:38 - **Off stage announcement:** of the lighting of the torch from the cauldron on the Southern Grounds. (need script)
- **TORCHBEARER 3** lights the torch and proceeds up the center of the South Lawn to the stage at the South Portico.

Note: Playing of "Summon of the Heroes" (tape/WHCA)

Note: Cauldron slowly extinguished.

**** Refer to separate torchbearer info**

- **TORCHBEARER 3** places the torch in a torch stand on the stage. TorchBearer 3 remains standing on stage.
- 7:50 - **THE PRESIDENT** makes remarks.

8:04 a.m.

NOTE: NBC Live

Upon conclusion of remarks, **THE PRESIDENT** takes torch from the torch stand and hands it to **TORCHBEARER 3*** who steps off the stage and proceeds to the Southeast Gate.

Music Note: Marine Band to play tbd selection.

BIG MO:

8:10 a.m.

THE FOUR PRINCIPALS exit stage and return to the
Diplomatic Reception Room.

PRINCIPAL NOTE: The Four Principals remain standing during the ceremony.

Stage Participants:

- The President and Mrs. Clinton
- The Vice President and Mrs. Gore
- Billy Payne
- Torchbearer 3 after torch rests in stand
- TBD

Standing off stage on toe marks:

- Mack & Donna McLarty
- Mrs. Billy Payne
- TBD reps from IOC?
- TBD other 34 torchbearers?
- Members of the Cabinet
- 2 State of the Union: Col. Lucius Wright and Jennifer Rodgers
- TBD Ambassadors?

8:10 a.m.

Torchbearer 3 passes Olympic flame to TBD (ACOG Torchbearer) at the Southeast Gate.

Olympic Flame Relay caravan departs.

Pre-Set at SE Gate:

Note: The Four Principals remain standing on the stage during the ceremony.

Guests depart SE and SW Gate.

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Mr. Brown is one of thousands of community heroes chosen to carry the torch. Others here today carried the torch through Washington, D.C., including King Jordan and Sister Mary Popit [POP-it], who brought it to the White House last night.

It is fitting that heroes like these bear this flame. Since ancient times, a flame has burned during the Olympic games. It symbolizes the rejuvenation of life and it salutes youth. This flame illuminates the ideals that guide us to be our best, whether on the fields of play or in the communities where we live and raise our families.

Thoreau wrote: "If you build castles in the air, your work need not be lost; that is where they should be. Now, put the foundations under them."

A champion knows about building foundations. To become an Olympian or a Paralympian takes dedication, determination and faith. There are no shortcuts. But when individuals take personal responsibility to make themselves the best they can be, no goal is out of reach. That's what these Olympics show us.

Every American should follow the lead of our champions. We should be inspired to work harder toward our own goals -- whether it's getting job training, or finishing high school or a college degree, or being a good parent, a good child or good neighbor. In our own way, like the Olympians, we can work every day to make the most of our own lives.

And still, no champion can strive or succeed alone. Athletes reach the Olympics because they have a nurturing family of coaches, friends and role models who come together to help them face their challenges. It's like that for America, too. To face our great challenges -- like wiping out crime, building up education and preserving our best values -- we need to come together in our communities. And when we do, American wins.

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That is America's contribution to the Olympic spirit.

Thank you and God bless America. And , Carla, Godspeed.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS FOR THURSDAY NIGHT ARRIVAL CEREMONY

- Billy and Martha Payne, plus other distinguished guests from the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games
 - Billy is the President and CEO of the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games.
- Mack and Donna McLarty
 - Working closely with Vice President Gore, Mack has given strong leadership to the Administration's activities in support of the 1996 Olympics and Paralympics.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS FOR FRIDAY MORNING DEPARTURE CEREMONY

- Mr. and Mrs. Billy Payne, and other distinguished guests from the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games
- *✱* Mack and Donna McLarty + vice Pres. - *Charm on WH Task Force.*
- Members of Congress
- Cabinet Officials
 - Members of the White House Task Force on the Olympic & Paralympic Games
 - President's Council on Physical Fitness & Sports -- with CoChair Tom MacMillan
- HRC* • Ambassadors from nations that have hosted past Olympic Summer Games
- ~~• Dick Schultz, Executive Director, United States Olympic Committee~~
- Tipper* • Olympians (former and current) from the DC area
- Tipper* • US Olympic Men's Soccer Team
- ✱* • All Torchbearers running in the District of Columbia
- ✱* • Community Hero Torchbearers recognized in the State of the Union, who have already run with the flame in their home towns
 - Lucius Wright of Jackson, Mississippi
 - Jennifer Rodgers of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- HRC* • Presidential Scholars

*Run on WH tonight
King Jordan*

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 19, 1996

CONGRESSIONAL PICNIC AND ARRIVAL OF OLYMPIC TORCH

DATE:	June 20, 1996
LOCATION:	South Lawn
TIME:	7:30pm
FROM:	Sarah Farnsworth Janet Abrams

I. PURPOSE

To visit with Members of Congress and their spouses in an informal atmosphere; to welcome the Olympic Flame to the White House.

II. BACKGROUND

Congressional Picnic

This is an annual event.

Torch Arrival

June 20th is day #55 of the Olympic Torch Relay. Since its arrival from Greece in late April, the Olympic Flame has been on a historic cross-country journey. It has already traveled more than 11,000 miles through 37 states and has been carried by more than 6000 individuals. On July 19th, the Flame will be carried into Atlanta's new Olympic Stadium, where the Cauldron will be lit and you will declare the Centennial Olympic Games "open" before a world-wide audience.

On Thursday, the Relay begins in Baltimore and runs south to Annapolis for a noon celebration. Once in the District of Columbia, the Flame will be run up to Capitol Hill for a ceremony with the Georgia Congressional Delegation. The Relay then winds its way through DC, stopping for a city celebration at 12th & Pennsylvania Avenues, NW, and stopping briefly at the embassies of countries that have held recent Olympic Games. The Flame will arrive at the White House just before 10pm at the conclusion of the Congressional Picnic.

Two "Community Hero" Torchbearers will run with the Torch on the White House grounds. Sister Mary Popit, a Catholic nun who works on behalf of homeless women, will run along Pennsylvania Avenue in front of the White House and then down East Executive Drive to the Southeast Gate. There she will pass the Flame to Dr. I. King Jordan, President of Gallaudet University, who will run

the Torch out onto the South Lawn. You and the other Principals will greet Dr. Jordan. You will join Dr. Jordan in the lighting of a cauldron positioned near the fountain.

The Flame will "sleep" outdoors overnight on the Lawn. The public will be able to view it from E-Street and the Ellipse. Early Friday morning, you and the other Principals will hold a formal "departure ceremony" for the Flame, and the Relay will move southward into Virginia.

The Administration has participated in numerous Torch Relay events:

- In this year's State of the Union Address, you recognized two of the Community Heroes selected to run the Torch -- Lucius Wright of Jackson, MS, and Jennifer Rodgers, Oklahoma, OK -- and urged all Americans to "hold high the torch of citizenship." You also appeared via videotape in an NBC Olympic Special on the Torch Relay.
- Mrs. Clinton and Chelsea participated in the Flame lighting ceremony in Olympic, Greece, in late March.
- Mrs. Gore took part in the Torch arrival ceremony in Los Angeles in April.
- The Olympic Torch was featured at the Memphis-in-May celebration last month. Vice President Gore helped the torchbearer light the cauldron. The Vice President will also participate in the Relay stop at Carthage, TN, next week.
- Mack McLarty took part in the Torch ceremony in Little Rock over Memorial Day Weekend.

III. PARTICIPANTS

- The President and Mrs. Clinton
- The Vice President and Mrs. Gore
- The Cabinet
- Members of Congress and their spouses
- Mack and Donna McLarty
- Billy and Martha Payne, President & CEO, Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games
- Torchbearers running on White House grounds:
 - Sister Mary Poppit
 - L. King Jordan
- Selected Congressional staff
- Selected Administration staff

IV. PRESS PLAN

Open press

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Please see attached Social Office scenario.

VI. REMARKS

To be provided by speechwriters.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

- Social Office Scenario
- Bios on 2 torchbearers who will run on the White House grounds
- Information on DC Community Hero torchbearers
- Highlights of 1996 Olympic Torch Relay

⇒ changed by Sarah to:
closed press for picnic remarks;
open press for torch arrival.

BIOGRAPHY OF MARY POPIT, COMMUNITY HERO

Mary Popit is a member of the Society of the Holy Child Jesus. For 14 years, Mary taught young people in grades 2 through 12 in Illinois, New Jersey and New York. In 1972, she became Director of Campus Ministry at Rosemont College outside Philadelphia, PA. During this time, Mary developed a tutoring program for young people from inner city Philadelphia, with Rosemont College and Villanova University students acting as volunteer tutors. Mary also began soliciting, collecting and distributing quality left-over food from a farmer's market for a program which fed homeless people in Philadelphia. To this day, some of her friends and their friends, continue to do this every Saturday.

For a sabbatical in 1984, Mary came to Washington, D.C. She was interested in observing how the political system worked and how one influenced or changed the system. Mary spent a year as a congressional fellow and then became a legislative assistant working on issues that affected the following groups of people: children, people with disabilities, poor people, and the elderly.

During this time, Mary organized the collection of unused food every Friday from several of the House carry-outs and the Capitol dining room. Other people help in collecting the food. Most of the food goes to New Endeavors by Women (NEW), a transitional center for homeless women.

Since 1989 when Mary learned about NEW, she has volunteered her time and energy, mostly in fundraising. She recently resigned as Chairperson of NEW's Board to become full-time Director of Development.

The Olympic games, a time for countries of the world to compete with each other in a peaceful way, have captured and held Mary's attention through the years. Having long ago resigned herself to the fact that without athletic prowess she would never compete in the Olympics, Mary is excited about being a part of the tradition of bringing the flame from Greece to Atlanta, the new site of the Olympics.

SELECTED BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION
DR. I. KING JORDAN
PRESIDENT, GALLAUDET UNIVERSITY

Gallaudet University president, I. King Jordan, grew up in Glen Riddle, Pennsylvania, a small town just outside Philadelphia. After finishing high school, he enlisted in the Navy and served four years. Dr. Jordan was involved in an automobile accident when he was 21 years old, which resulted in a profound hearing loss.

Dr. Jordan earned a B.A. in psychology from Gallaudet University in 1970. Gallaudet, which is located in Washington, D.C., is the world's only university with programs and services designed specifically for students who are deaf and hard of hearing. In 1971 Dr. Jordan earned an M.A., and in 1973 he earned a Ph.D. in psychology, both from the University of Tennessee.

Upon earning his doctorate, Dr. Jordan became a faculty member in the Department of Psychology. In 1983 he became chair of the Department of Psychology, and in 1986 he was named dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Dr. Jordan has made international contributions in education through a number of professional fellowships abroad. He served as a visiting research fellow at Donaldson's School for the Deaf in Edinburgh, Scotland; as an exchange scholar at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland; and as a visiting scholar and lecturer at schools in Paris, Toulouse, and Marseille, France.

After an historic protest on the University campus in 1988 which catapulted the needs and accomplishments of deaf people into a national focus, the Gallaudet Board of Trustees appointed Dr. Jordan the eighth president of Gallaudet and the first deaf president since the institution was established in 1864.

Since then, I. King Jordan has served not only as an international spokesperson for deaf and hard of hearing people, but also as an advocate for persons with disabilities as well. Much sought after as a speaker, Dr. Jordan continues to challenge the American public to examine their attitudes toward people with disabilities and to open their minds, hearts and workplaces to people with disabilities.

Dr. Jordan holds ten honorary degrees and has been the recipient of numerous other awards including the Freedom Award from the Washington Times Corporation, the Courage Center Award, the Washingtonian of the Year Award, the Distinguished Leadership Award from the National Association for Community Leadership, and The 1993 Daniel T. Cloud Leadership Award. In 1990 he was appointed Vice Chair of the President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities by President George Bush.

Dr. Jordan and his wife, Linda Jordan, live in the historic Edward Miner Gallaudet residence on the Gallaudet campus. They have two children; a daughter, Heidi, who is a graduate of Flagler College in Florida, and a son, King III, who is a graduate of the University of Colorado, and attends the University of Georgia.