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Commencement Address

at

Allegheny College

- By

George Bush

Director of Central Intelligence

14 June 1976

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I want to speak to you -- briefly, you'll be happy to hear -- about credibility and commitment.

To be believed you really should be committed. To be committed you must really believe.

I am worried about the credibility and the commitment of our country as seen through the eyes of foreign countries, friend and foe alike.

You see, I am convinced that many countries are looking at the USA, and they are trying to decide where we're at.

Let's start at the beginning. We need an assumption.

Assumed, we have the best system of government in the world. There are inequities, no argument on that point, but there are comparatively few; and compared to any other system, we enjoy freedom -- much more freedom than most countries have.

We have existed for 200 years. We have stability, and all through our history we have had a commitment to freedom -- freedom of speech, of religion, of enterprise.

Christmas 1974 I was in China. I had only been there a couple of months, but already the enormous differences between our systems had been brought dramatically and very personally home to me.

China has done a great job in bringing minimal health care to hundreds of millions of people, and a great job in

containing crime, and in providing basic clothing and basic food to the masses; but they have paid an enormous price, at least by our standards, and that price is "freedom."

A radical group, visiting China, came to our house for Christmas Eve. They were travelling in China, staying at the hotel, and I thought it would be nice for them to hear some Christmas carols and be on the closest thing in China to U.S. turf.

I was moved by the strolling British carolers who had come by the U.S. Liaison Office, and I made a comment about "Aren't we lucky to be a free country."

One of the visitors spoke up and said, "We have no freedom in our country. We should emulate this system in China..."

I argued a little -- saw the case was hopeless, stopped, but continued to think about the exchange.

On the plus side, to be fair, China has done a remarkable job. Since what the Chinese refer to as "the liberation," they have made unbelievable strides. I was continually impressed by their sense of pride and their sense of commitment -- their dedication to the principles of Chairman Mao and their commitment to the revolution.

On the minus side, they dare not deviate from the approved line. They have no free press. They have initiative, but it must be channeled into the course dictated by the state.

They are not free to worship. They cannot choose their career. They cannot even choose if they want to get a higher

education. They are inhibited from marrying when they want to. Someone else, somewhere else makes these kinds of decisions.

But China is committed, and it is credible.

Incidentally, the Chinese put great trust in one's word of honor from a foreign relations standpoint.

Okay -- committed and credible; but they look at us today, and I really wonder what they think.

I think they respect our country. I know that individually there is little, if any, hostility to Americans in Peking.

China sees us as a strong country, rich in resources, with a military might unsurpassed in the world. I'm not sure they know enough about our system to give us credit for the diversity that marks our system, or to envy us our freedoms.

I do feel they understand our importance as a world power.

They know our system is different, and they feel that our relationship should be built on our self interest and theirs.

A lot of people speculated at the time of former President Nixon's recent trip to China. Why? Why the trip? Why Nixon? The answer was not related to the domestic political scene in the U.S., or to China's hope that we'd make dramatic policy changes. It was related to the fact

that Mr. Nixon told the Chinese when he took his historic trip, "I come in the self interest of my country."

To the Chinese this was commitment, and it was very credible.

Yes, China sees our importance as a world power. For their "self interest" they want a good relationship, but let's face it, they are asking themselves -- "Is the USA, after 200 years of democracy, or freedom, or whatever one calls our magnificent system -- is the USA committed? Do the people still believe? Do they believe enough to sacrifice for themselves, to say nothing of sacrificing for others."

They are asking the right questions. Many other countries are asking the same questions. These are questions that all of us should ask.

In my new job, I see lots of information on various countries. From this it is easy to conclude that China is a committed nation and that the USSR is a committed nation. I am not saying there is no dissent, but because of the way in which they establish leadership and stifle dissent, it doesn't matter much.

They are committed to world socialism, if you will. You and I should neither doubt that nor underestimate that.

But they look at us and they wonder about our commitment to democracy, or put it this way -- our commitment to oppose the export of communism or, in the example I want to use, the export of Russian hegemony.

The administration made a commitment to the Roberto and Savimbi factions in Angola just as Cuba and Russia made a commitment to the MPLA in Angola. Our commitment proved to be a commitment without credibility. Theirs was credible.

You might say, "So what, we stayed out; we didn't get involved in another Vietnam." True, but here's the problem: I saw an African leader this week. He used this example: you are walking down the street. You're a little man with a big guy as your friend. Another big guy comes along and says to you, "Come with me; you cannot trust your big friend." Then you have a fight with another person and the big friend does not stand up for you, so you go over to the other big guy for help. And then one other little guy over there, not in the fight -- he says, "Which one can I trust?"

He turned to me and said, "You, sir, know the answer." This man, representing a long-time African ally committed to freedom but too weak to preserve it alone, asked the key question.

Angola hurt us some in Africa, but it hurt elsewhere, too.

Japan, a jillion miles away from Angola, wonders, will we stand firm.

China, concerned about Soviet troops on her northern border, sees a strong NATO confronting the USSR in the west

as vital to China's interest, and she wonders.

Our Asian allies in Southeast Asia say, "They didn't keep that commitment. Will they keep a commitment to help us stay free?"

Our NATO allies themselves hear talk about isolation and withdrawal. They don't doubt the Soviets' commitment to Eastern Europe's domination -- and they wonder -- will the U.S. stay committed, credibly, to Western Europe's freedom?

It is a worldwide problem. I am not suggesting we be dedicated to intervention. Nor am I suggesting we must export our system to other countries. I am saying that we have obligations to countries that want to be free.

We are a world power, and we properly have worldwide obligations.

And so what does this all have to do with your graduation?

It gets us to the point where you get the free advice.

Our freedom I have been referring to gives you the right to tune it out -- I recognize that, but here it is:

First, as you leave here, don't give up your interest in learning. Study beyond the confines of your job.

Second, expand your interest to include a comparative look at the world. You'll see plenty of stories criticizing our country, our institutions, our leaders; and that is okay but -- just as the guy when asked "How's your wife?"

responded "Compared to whom?" -- you ask "Okay, we've got problems here. But how are we doing compared to others?"

If you conclude we're doing pretty well, then make a commitment. A commitment to participate in public affairs, a commitment to help in your community, a commitment to do something for someone else. A commitment, if you want, that De Tocqueville understood when he wrote: "The greatness of America lies not in being more enlightened than any other nation, but rather in her ability to repair her faults."

Lastly, save some time for contemplating our role in the world. For studying the realities we face. For understanding that because of our position in world leadership, what we do here shapes the destiny of many peoples all over the world. And then for doing something that will help make our commitment to freedom credible.

In these days of cynicism, there is an obvious question -- how many feel as strongly as Horace Mann did when he said, "Be ashamed to die until you have won some victory for humanity."

Answer -- I think you do; I know you must.

Thank you very much.

ITINERARY
ALLEGHENY COLLEGE
MEADVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA

13-14 June 1976

Sunday, June 13th

2:30 p.m. Depart Sanford, Maine
4:30 Arrive Erie, Pa. -- Agency Security will
meet plane -- depart immediately for
Meadville, Pa.
5:30 Arrive residence of Dr. and Mrs. Pelletier -
286 Jefferson Street, Meadville, Pa.
Telephone: (814) 724-8642 (Mr. and Mrs.
Bush will be staying at residence for the
night; Ty Harding will stay overnight at
David Mead Inn)
6:00 Cocktails at Dr. and Mrs. Pelletier's
residence
7:00 Dinner -- Meadville Country Club

Monday, June 14th

9:15 a.m. College Campus Center (don cap and gown)
10:00 Commencement Exercise begins
12:00 noon Luncheon -- South Hall
1:30 p.m. Depart for Erie, Pa.
2:30 Wheels up
3:50 Arrive Washington, D. C.

4:25
15 March 1976

Jennifer:

Governor Schaefer called from the White House. He said that he had seen Mr. Bush earlier and that he was now calling with details. He would like to invite Mr. Bush to be the commencement speak at Allegheny College on Monday, 14 June 1976. He suggested that Mr. Bush fly into Meadville, Pa., on Sunday night and have dinner with the President of the college and other distinguished guests and then deliver the address on Monday morning at 10:00 (he also said that Mr. Bush would receive an honorary degree). He said that after the ceremony which would end around 12:00, Mr. Bush could stay for lunch or return. He was most enthusiastic about this and I told him we would get back to him, either tonight or tomorrow (through the White House).

Karen

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JF
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April 14, 1976

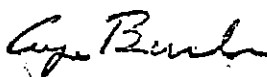
Dear Mr. Pelletier,

Just a quick note to thank you for your letter of April 9th.

Barbara and I would be delighted to attend the dinner on Sunday evening, June 13th, and I will focus the Commencement address on my experiences in the United Nations and China, as you suggested.

We look forward to seeing you,

Sincerely,



George Bush

Mr. Lawrence L. Pelletier
President
Allegheny College
Meadville, Pennsylvania 16335

Allegheny College

MEADVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA 16335

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

April 9, 1976

J.F.
set up
for Bush - I to
be with them
Sunday
2. so advise
him!!

Dear Mr. Bush:

I believe that Governor Raymond P. Shafer has already talked to you about the fact that the Board of Trustees and the faculty of Allegheny College would like to recognize your outstanding contribution to the public service of this country by awarding you the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa. We shall also be most appreciative if you will consent to deliver the Commencement address. We feel sure that you can draw on your experiences in the United Nations and, more recently, in China for remarks which will be interesting and relevant for our undergraduates.

Our Commencement will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, June 14. We shall be honored if you and Mrs. Bush can be with us on Sunday evening, June 13, for a dinner which we give for recipients of honorary degrees.

We hope that you can become an honorary member of this community of scholars and we shall be looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence L. Pelletier
Lawrence L. Pelletier

Mr. George Bush
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

LLP/er

Tell him
OK

5 May 1976

Jennifer,

Note that I did not tell Mr. Wycoff
the title of Mr. Bush's address.

Debbie

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

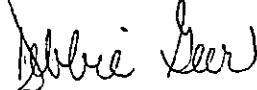
May 5, 1976

Dear Mr. Wycoff,

Per your request of April 30th,
a photograph and biographic sketch
of Mr. Bush are attached.

Mr. Bush will not be speaking
from a prepared text.

Sincerely,



Debbie Geer
Secretary to Mr. Bush

Encl.

Mr. Robert S. Wycoff
Office of Public Relations
Allegheny College
Meadville, Pennsylvania 16335

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April 30, 1976

Mr. George Bush
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Bush:

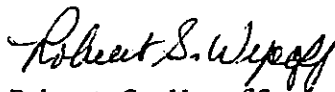
As the person who is responsible for publicizing Allegheny College commencement activities and the individuals who are involved in them, I am writing to ask if you will send me a recent photograph and up-to-date biographical sketch for use in preparing an announcement of those who will receive honorary degrees at our 1976 commencement. Since it is necessary to have a local photo studio make copies of the pictures, a process which usually involves some delay, we should have the material by mid-May if at all possible.

I would also like to inquire if you will speak from a prepared text and, if so, whether or not advance copies will be available.

No doubt President Pelletier has already requested the title of your address, since we need that for our commencement program. I assume that when you have settled on a title you will notify Dr. Pelletier and I can get the information from his office.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

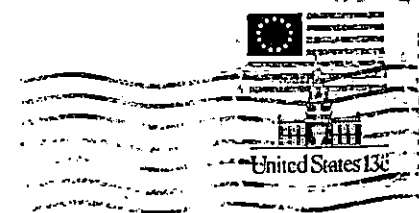
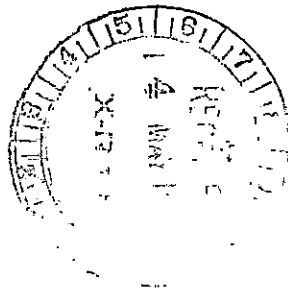
Sincerely,



Robert S. Wycoff
Public Relations

RSW:bw

ALLEGHENY COLLEGE
MEADVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA 16335



Mr. George Bush
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

Allegheny College

MEADVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA 16335

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 20, 1976

Dear Mr. Bush:

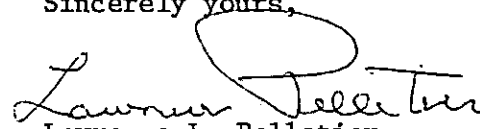
Mrs. Pelletier and I would like to invite you and Mrs. Bush to be our houseguests for Commencement weekend. I believe that Mr. Robert T. Sherman has already written to you about the details of the Commencement ceremonies on Monday and I would like to invite you to a reception on Sunday at our house at 5:30 with dinner at the Country Club later. We are hoping that all of the honorary degree recipients and sponsors can be with us for these occasions.

I believe that I have not talked to you about the Commencement address. We like to end our ceremonies by noon, and an address from twenty to thirty minutes will be helpful to us in our planning.

We are looking forward to meeting you and Mrs. Bush.

With best regards.

Sincerely yours,


Lawrence L. Pelletier

Mr. George Bush
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C. 20505

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11:15 minutes max

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May 28th
Mr. Bush:

I need a title for your Allegheny speech -- if possible today.

Thanks.

Jennifer Fitzgerald

T "COMMITMENT"

Allegheny College

MEADVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA 16335

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 29, 1976

Trip file

Dear Miss Fitzgerald:

It was good of you to call this morning, and we were glad to get the information concerning the arrangements for Mr. Bush's trip to Allegheny.

The only people on the platform whom Mr. Bush might wish to acknowledge would be Governor Shafer, and Judge Gwilym Price, Jr., a member of the Pennsylvania Superior Court. Our chaplain will probably give an opening prayer, if Mr. Bush should also want to recognize the clergy.

I have sent you a copy of our current catalogue which contains a condensed history of the College.

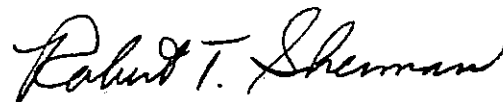
We have arranged for a room for Mr. Ty Harding for Sunday evening, June 13, at the David Mead Inn, and will be delighted to have him attend the cocktail party, the dinner, and the luncheon following the Commencement Exercises.

Our public relations office is aware that there are to be no press conferences. There is a possibility that radio or TV people may wish to cover the actual delivery of the speech.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Pelletier are very pleased that Mr. and Mrs. Bush will be staying with them.

Please call if you have any questions, and I'll be in touch if I think of anything else.

Sincerely,



Robert T. Sherman
Assistant to the President

Miss Jennifer Fitzgerald
Secretary to Mr. Bush
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C. 20505

RTS/mt

Allegheny College

MEADVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA 16335

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Bush:

I am delighted that you will be receiving an honorary degree from Allegheny this year and that you will be delivering the Commencement Address.

Your sponsor will be Governor Raymond P. Shafer, and he and Mrs. Shafer will serve as your official hosts for the weekend.

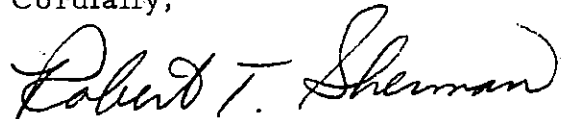
It is my understanding that President and Mrs. Pelletier have extended an invitation to you and Mrs. Bush to stay at their home. If you need to make arrangements to be met at any of the airports (Erie; Youngstown, Ohio; or Pittsburgh), please let me know and we will see that you are accommodated.

I am enclosing a check list of some of the other Commencement weekend activities for which tickets will be needed. If you will please indicate the number of tickets you will need for each event, I shall have them reserved for you. In addition, Dr. and Mrs. Pelletier are having cocktails and dinner for the honorary degree recipients, their spouses and sponsors on Sunday, June 13. Cocktails will probably be at their home about six. Dinner is to be at the Meadville Country Club about seven.

Also will you please give me your cap size, your height, and your weight. It is important that I have this particular information as quickly as possible.

I am looking forward to having you with us.

Cordially,



Robert T. Sherman
Assistant to the President

Mr. George Bush
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C. 20505

RTS/mt
Enclosure

Mr. Bush

Please check the following Commencement events you wish to attend by indicating the number of tickets desired:

Saturday, June 12

- _____ 12:00 Noon, Alumni Luncheon, Brooks Hall
- _____ 6:00 P.M., President's Dinner for Alumni and Friends, South Hall
- _____ 9:00 P.M., Commencement Play -- "Sing Out, Sweet Land" --
Playshop Theatre
- _____ 9:00 P.M., Commencement Dance, Meadville Country Club

Sunday, June 13

- _____ 10:00 A.M., Baccalaureate Service, Campus Center Auditorium
- _____ 2:00 P.M., Commencement Concert, Allegheny Civic Symphony Orchestra,
Campus Center Auditorium
- _____ 3:30 P.M., President's Reception, South Hall Terrace
- X 6:00 P.M., President's Dinner, Meadville Country Club (for honorary
degree recipients and spouses)
- _____ 8:00 P.M., Commencement Concert, The Choir of Allegheny College,
Campus Center Auditorium

Monday, June 14

- X 10:00 A.M., Commencement Exercises, Campus Center Auditorium
- _____ 12:00 Noon, Buffet Luncheon for Honored Guests, South Hall

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Will you need hotel reservations? Yes _____ No _____

For how many? _____

Arrival Time _____ Departure Time _____

Cap size 7 1/2 Height 6' 2" Weight 190

June 9, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR : Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : Patricia Taylor
Office of the Assistant to the Director

SUBJECT : Background Information on Allegheny College
for your speech on Monday, June 14

Allegheny College, in Meadville, Pennsylvania, is a co-educational Liberal Arts college with approximately 1,700 students. Men slightly outnumber the women. A majority of the school's graduates go on to professional or graduate schools.

Majors are offered in 21 fields, including Art, Biology, Drama, Economics, Geology, History, Math, Music, Political Science, Religion, and foreign languages -- including Russian. There are over 450 course offerings which makes possible a number of combination majors. A Master's Degree in Education is the only graduate program available.

Emphasis is placed on individual achievement. There is a strong Honor Code. At least one independent study program is required. Allegheny is affiliated with other schools to provide opportunities for study abroad. It offers undergraduate internships with various state and local agencies. Allegheny also provides a "Washington Semester" in cooperation with American University and a "Visiting Student" program at New York University.

Allegheny College

MEADVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA 16335

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

June 14, 1976

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Dear Mr. Bush:

We enjoyed having you with us, and we are delighted that you have become an honorary member of this academic community. Your remarks to the graduating class were most appropriate and extremely well delivered. I could tell from watching the class that what you were saying was being received with great approval.

Mrs. Pelletier and I were delighted to have you and Barbara with us. It was much too short a period. We hope that you will be able to spend some time in Maine this summer.

With best regards.

Sincerely yours,

Law
Lawrence L. Pelletier

Mr. George H. W. Bush
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C. 20505

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COMMENCEMENT

IN THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIRST YEAR OF

ALLEGHENY
COLLEGE



MONDAY, JUNE FOURTEENTH, NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX

AT TEN O'CLOCK, EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME

PROGRAM

9:45 A.M., ACADEMIC PROCESSION

10:00 A.M., EXERCISES, *Campus Center Auditorium*

*PROCESSIONAL:

Musique Royale

Delalande

Marche Royale

Lully

Rebecca Borthwick, M.S.M., Organist
Assisted by Stephen Phillips and Wayne Uhl, Trumpeters

*INVOCATION:

DONALD G. HOBSON, B.D., Ph.D.
Chaplain, Assistant Professor of Religion

*HYMN:

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"
Rebecca Borthwick, Organist

I

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home!

III

Before the hills in order stood
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

II

Under the shadow of Thy throne
Still may we dwell secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure.

IV

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come;
Be Thou our guide while life shall last,
And our eternal home! Amen.

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS: *Commitment*

GEORGE H. W. BUSH

Director, Central Intelligence Agency

**The audience will stand.*

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

LAWRENCE LEE PELLETIER, Ph.D., President

JONATHAN E. HELMREICH, Ph.D., Dean of Instruction

PAUL B. CARES, Ph.D., Secretary of the Faculty

ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS

CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREES

*ALMA MATER BEATISSIMA

Rebecca Borthwick, Organist

Fair Allegheny, yonder on the hill,
Through all the years our hearts
are turning still
In love to thee, and so they ever will,
O, Alma Mater, Beatissima.

Warm rests the sun, so soft on wall
and vine;
No air in all the world can equal thine,
Again we flame our torches at thy shrine,
O, Alma Mater, Beatissima.

Hail Allegheny, fair thy name shall be
As light sent forth at morn o'er land and sea;
Our truest and our best we pledge to thee,
O, Alma Mater, Beatissima.

*BENEDICTION

DR. HOBSON

*RECESSIONAL: *Grand Choeur*

Handel

Rebecca Borthwick, Organist

**The audience will stand until the academic procession has withdrawn.
Guests will not take photographs during conferring of degrees.*

HONORARY DEGREES

For the Degree of Doctor of Business Administration, *Honoris Causa*

EDWARD IRVING BATES '27

Presented by Earl W. Adams, Andrew Wells Robertson Professor of Economics

For the Degree of Doctor of Laws, *Honoris Causa*

HARRY R. PORE, JR. '33

Presented by Robert S. Bates '31, Trustee of the College

For the Degree of Doctor of Music, *Honoris Causa*

ROBERT D. JOHNSON '39

Presented by M. Jay Luvaas '49, Professor of History

For the Degree of Doctor of Laws, *Honoris Causa*

GWILYM A. PRICE, JR. '44

Presented by Robert G. Seddig, Associate Professor of Political Science

For the Degree of Doctor of Science, *Honoris Causa*

HERBERT L. ANDERSON

Presented by Barbara Lotze, Associate Professor of Physics

For the Degree of Doctor of Letters, *Honoris Causa*

JOAN GANZ COONEY

Presented by E. Jeanne Braham, Assistant Professor of English

For the Degree of Doctor of Laws, *Honoris Causa*

GEORGE H. W. BUSH

Presented by Gov. Raymond P. Shafer '38, Chairman, Board of Trustees

GRADUATION HONORS ARE AWARDED AS FOLLOWS

Summa Cum Laude to students who have achieved a cumulative average of 3.90,
and whose total record warrants it;

Magna Cum Laude to students who have achieved a cumulative average of 3.60;

Cum Laude to students who have achieved a cumulative average of 3.20;

Departmental Honors to students who have done distinguished work in their fields of concentration;

Alden Scholar awards are made at an Honors Day Convocation during the Fall term to those students who achieved an average of at least 3.20 for the preceding year. Numerals represent the year or years in which the award was earned.

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS, JUNE 1976

Blaine Frederic AlkinPittsburgh, Pa.
Political Science/Economics
Alden Scholar 3
Mark Howard AllenWampum, Pa.
Psychology
Douglas S. ArnoldPittsburgh, Pa.
Cum Laude
Political Science
Alden Scholar 2, 3, 4
Gail Christie AtlasBaltimore, Md.
Cum Laude
Psychology
Alden Scholar 1, 4
Christopher Allan BaerMarietta, Ga.
Drama
Alden Scholar 2, 4
Robert Richard BarkusMars, Pa.
Psychology
Barbara Ann BarrettHoneoye Falls, N.Y.
Honors in Spanish
Alden Scholar 4
Nancy Jane BassettCuba, N.Y.
Art
Stephen A. BebloButler, Pa.
Psychology and Economics
June A. BechtelHuntingdon Valley, Pa.
Psychology
Alden Scholar 3
Robert A. BerryHarrisburg, Pa.
Psychology and Philosophy
Karen Louise BethAmherst, Mass.
Cum Laude
Religion
Alden Scholar 2, 3
Mary Helen BialasWilmore, Pa.
Magna Cum Laude
Phi Beta Kappa
Honors in Psychology
Alden Scholar 1, 2
Cynthia Jeanne BickerstaffLebanon, N.J.
Cum Laude
Honors in English
Alden Scholar 1, 2, 3, 4
Dennis E. BiresBeaver, Pa.
Cum Laude
Honors in Political Science
Alden Scholar 3, 4
Karen Ann BlanchardAvon, Conn.
English
Curtis Everett BlystoneMeadville, Pa.
Economics
Michael Painter BoydWellesley, Mass.
English
Alden Scholar 4
Sally Jane BoyersSnyder, N.Y.
Psychology
Stephen C. BucknerPortville, N.Y.
History
James Franklin CarlisleNew Bedford, Pa.
Sociology

Dewitt Kies CarmerMcConnellsville, N.Y.
English
Marilyn L. ChodoshRumson, N.J.
Behavior and Value - Special Major
Alden Scholar 3, 4
Rachel W. ChristieMeadville, Pa.
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Psychology
Alden Scholar 3
Patrick Joseph ClairPittsburgh, Pa.
Cum Laude
Honors in Economics
Alden Scholar 1, 2, 3, 4
Lynn Ellen ClarkWellsboro, Pa.
English
Stephen David ClarkFalls Church, Va.
English
James Howard CooperEdinburg, Pa.
Religion
Dale Terrance CopelandGuys Mills, Pa.
Economics
Sylvia Yvonne CordellAtlanta, Ga.
English
Janice Elizabeth CrossPittsburgh, Pa.
Cum Laude
Honors in History
Alden Scholar 2, 3, 4
Virginia DartAurora, O.
Russian/English
Alden Scholar 2
David Lee DarwinHuntington Station, N.Y.
Political Science
Shelley DaughenLeFargeville, N.Y.
Cum Laude
Religion
Alden Scholar 1, 2, 3, 4
Debra Lynne DaughertyMonroeville, Pa.
Magna Cum Laude
Phi Beta Kappa
Honors in German
Honors in Music
Alden Scholar 1, 2
Susan Elaine DavisTonawanda, N.Y.
Spanish
Nancy Jean DeKorteSpringfield, Pa.
History
Robert G. Del Greco, Jr.Pittsburgh, Pa.
Cum Laude
Honors in English
Alden Scholar 1, 2, 3, 4
Janet Hoagland DickeyBethel Park, Pa.
Magna Cum Laude
Phi Beta Kappa
Honors in Religion
Alden Scholar 1, 2, 3, 4
Kevin Victor DiGregorySharpsburg, Pa.
Magna Cum Laude
Phi Beta Kappa
Political Science
Alden Scholar 2, 3

June 17, 1976

Dear Mr. Zack,

Thanks so much for your thoughtful
note of June 15th.

I enjoyed my short visit to
Allegheny College, and indeed, I felt
right at home on your campus.

Thanks again for your kind words,

Sincerely,



George Bush

Mr. Victor B. Zack, Jr.
Executive Director of Development
Allegheny College
Meadville, Pennsylvania 16335

Allegheny College



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OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT

June 15, 1976

Mr. George H. W. Bush
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Bush:

We are pleased to recognize you as a member of the Allegheny family. Your credits to date already distinguish you among our honorary degree recipients and it is axiomatic your future gives promise of even greater contributions to mankind. We are justly proud you could accept our sincere tribute. And we trust Allegheny's posture in higher education always will make you equally as proud to identify with us.

We hope that you and your family will feel much at home on the Allegheny campus and that you will visit us regularly and often.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Vict. R. Zack, Jr.".

Victor R. Zack, Jr.
Executive Director of
Development

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June 18, 1976

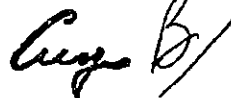
Dear Mrs. Bell,

What a thoughtful note! I enjoyed my visit to Allegheny College and it was a particular pleasure to meet you and to hear from you about your activities.

Barbara and I were invited to be on the Forrestal in New York Harbor on the 4th, but unfortunately we have a conflict so we cannot be there. Thus, we will miss meeting your daughter.

Thanks again for the letter and the clipping.

Sincerely,



George Bush

Mrs. Davitt Bell
5903 Fifth Avenue
Apartment 311
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15232



OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

June 18, 1976

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The Honorable George H. W. Bush
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear George:

You were absolutely superb! Thanks very much for taking time from your horrendous schedule to become a part of the Allegheny College family. Yours and Barbara's warmth and friendliness have made a lasting impression on our community.

Jane joins in sending our very best to both of you.

Cordially,

Raymond P. Shafer
Counsellor to
The Vice President

June 28, 1976

Dear Mr. Wycoff,

Just a quick note to thank you
so much for your letter of June 24th,
and also for the enclosures.

They will continue to remind
me of my visit to Allegheny College.
I was honored that you wanted me.

Thanks again,

Sincerely,

/s/ George Bush

George Bush

Mr. Robert S. Wycoff
Office of Public Relations
Allegheny College
Meadville, Pennsylvania 16335

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(814) 724-2369

June 24, 1976

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Thank him!
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Mr. George H. W. Bush
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Bush:

We thought you might be interested in having these mementos of your visit to Allegheny College as commencement speaker and honorary degree recipient. I'm afraid we had to move your distinguished group about rather unceremoniously for photographs on commencement morning; I think the results are worth it.

Thank you for the fine cooperation of yourself and your office in providing us with biography, photograph and text of your address.

Sincerely,

Robert S. Wycoff

Robert S. Wycoff
Public Relations

RSW:bw

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MILTON ACADEMY
MILTON, MASSACHUSETTS

11 June 1976

7:45 a.m.	Arrive National Airport
8:00 a.m.	Depart Washington, D. C.
9:30	Arrive Norwood, Massachusetts (Agency Security will meet plane)
9:55	Arrive Milton Academy Chapel -- Mr. and Mrs. Bush will be met and escorted inside to Chapel
10:00	Chapel service for graduating class
11:00	Graduation ceremony
12:30 p.m.	Lunch -- Dining Hall
1:30	Depart for Norwood, Massachusetts
2:00	Wheels up for Sanford, Maine

Telephone Contact: (617) 698-7800

Party will be Mr. and Mrs. Bush, Ty Harding

March 2, 1976

Dear Mr. Theobald,

Thank you for your February 18th letter. I am very pleased to accept the invitation to be the graduation speaker on Friday morning, June 11, 1976.

I have always had a strict policy in government of not accepting any honoraria. Therefore, please don't worry about that at all. Just know that I am very pleased you want me to be there.

I am especially pleased to be there on account of my nephew, Joe Ellis. He is a great young man and your wonderful school has given him a lot. I gather from your letter that you feel Joe has done his share in giving to the school--that doesn't surprise me.

I look forward to seeing you,

Yours truly,



George Bush
Director

cc Mrs. Alexander Ellis

Mr. Michael J. Theobald
Principal
Milton Academy
Milton, Massachusetts 02186

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MRS. ALEXANDER ELLIS, JR.
SANDY POND ROAD
LINCOLN, MASSACHUSETTS 01773

Dearest ops:

Mr. Theobald called me to ask if I would urge you on to be the Milton speaker and I do so right away. It would be so fabulous if you could do it, and I have thought of alot of reasons why it might be good for you.

1. returning to the place of your birth--it has a nice ring to it--the Milton papers would love it.

2. Joe and his folks will die of pride--

3. It will make Mum's day all right. She will be the speaker, it will



MILTON ACADEMY

MILTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02186

February 18, 1976

The Honorable George H. W. Bush
5161 Palisade Circle
Washington, D. C. 20016

Dear Mr. Bush:

I feel slightly strange about addressing this official invitation to you after the conversation that I know you have already had with your sister, Mrs. Alexander Ellis! However, on behalf of Milton Academy Boys' School, and in particular of your fine young nephew, I take very great pleasure in inviting you to be our graduation speaker on the morning of Friday, June 11, 1976. We would also like to invite Mrs. Bush to be our guest on that day.

The graduation ceremony begins at 11:00 a.m., but there is also a chapel service for the graduating class and their parents at 10:00 o'clock, at which you will of course be most welcome. On the evening before graduation, we usually have a picnic for boys and parents. I imagine Joe and his parents will be there and we hope you would be able to attend that party too.

I regret that I am not in a position to offer you an honorarium befitting your distinction as a public figure in American life. The typical honorarium for recent graduation speakers has been \$200-\$250, and I therefore hope you will find an offer to you of \$300 acceptable.

Your nephew Joe has had a splendid career at Milton, and has been especially effective this year as co-head of the Blue Key organization responsible for entertaining visitors to the school, and as Captain of a soccer team that brought Milton its first League Championship in fifteen years. He is certainly a credit to his family, and we very much hope you will be here in person on June 11th to hand him his diploma.

Yours sincerely,

Michael J. Theobald
Principal

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*Dennig's -
trip file*

29 April 1976

Dear Mr. Theobald,

Attached is the biographic profile
of Mr. Bush which you requested in your
letter of April 26th. His current
position title is on page 4.

Mr. Bush is very much looking
forward to being in Milton in June.

Sincerely,

K/

Karen G. Tillotson
Secretary to Mr. Bush



MILTON ACADEMY

MILTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02186

April 26, 1976

The Honorable George H. W. Bush
5161 Palisade Circle
Washington, D. C. 20016

Dear Mr. Bush:

We are very pleased that you have accepted our invitation to speak at the Graduation Ceremony on June 11th.

Since we must send out our invitations to parents and friends fairly soon, I would be most grateful if you would ask your secretary to send me your official title, and position at the CIA, as it should appear on the invitation card. Would you please also have your secretary send me a copy of your biography.

We much appreciate your generosity in not wishing to accept an honorarium. In such cases, we like to send the amount of the honorarium to a fund or foundation of your choice. Do let us know which organization you would prefer.

I was fortunate enough to meet your mother recently during a holiday in Florida. Your nephew Joe invited us to visit while he was staying with her, and my family and I were delightfully entertained by Mrs. Bush in that lovely garden on Jupiter Island. I am very glad to hear that she is planning to be here for Joe's graduation.

I look forward to seeing you and your wife on June 10th-11th.

Yours sincerely,

Michael J. Theobald

Michael J. Theobald
Principal

MJT:jmc

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MILTON ACADEMY BOYS' SCHOOL GRADUATION EXERCISES



Friday, June Eleventh
Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Six

Invocation THE REV. THOMAS G. CLEVELAND
Department of Religion

Hymn: "O God, our help in ages past"

Award of Prizes MICHAEL J. THEOBALD
Principal

Valedictory LUKE A. TULYSEWSKI '76

Award of Diplomas JEROME A. PIEH
Headmaster

MALCOLM D. PERKINS
President, Board of Trustees

Address GEORGE H. W. BUSH
Director of Central Intelligence

Hymn: "America"

Before the formal Exercises begin, the audience is requested to rise for the procession of Trustees, Faculty, and the members of the graduating class and to remain standing until after the invocation and hymn.

The Exercises will conclude with the academic procession, after which everyone will be welcomed at luncheon.

A list of prizes and awards is printed in the program supplement which will be available at the doors at the conclusion of the Exercises.

The Graduating Class

1976

James Lawrence Adams, Milton, Mass.
Frank Gilman Allen, III, Chestnut Hill, Mass.
Robert Elliott Baker, Brookline, Mass.
William Goodell Barnum, Chestnut Hill, Mass.
Anthony Gorham Brooks, Florence, Italy
Sturtevant Tice Burr, East Kingston, N. H.
Michael Hadley Carothers, Dover, Mass.
Henry Whitney Carr, Milton, Mass.
Francis Edward Charles, Jr., Cohasset, Mass.
Michael Vincent Contreras, Long Beach, Calif.
Philip Dean, Jr., Marion, Mass.
Robert John DeSimone, Chatham, Mass.
Joseph Michael Donahue, Jr., Milton, Mass.
Gregory Patrick Dunn, Canton, Mass.
Louis Rhett duPont, Chadds Ford, Pa.
Thomas William Easton, New York, N. Y.
Josiah Wear Ellis, Lincoln, Mass.
Thomas Webster Fitz, Needham, Mass.
Burton Fleming, II, Boston, Mass.
Mark Louis Francis, Boston, Mass.
Jonathan Patrick Garrity, Milton, Mass.
Edward Francis Goode, II, Milton, Mass.
Robert Cushing Hamlen, II, Dover, Mass.
Edmund Fenn Harvey, Katonah, N. Y.
John Frederick Heidenreich, Duxbury, Mass.
Kevin Hern, Jr., Milton, Mass.
John Craig Huff, III, Hopedale, Mass.
Robert Cushman Hunnewell, Westwood, Mass.
Douglas Andrew Hurst, Milton, Mass.
Robert Barclay Hutchison, New York, N. Y.
John Bernard Hynes, III, Chatham, Mass.
Hamilton Searight Johnson, Jr., New York, N. Y.
Jeffrey Alan Joseph, Mattapan, Mass.
Timothy Hugh Kenefick, Chatham, N. Y.
John Michael Kinnealey, Milton, Mass.
Joseph Kinnealey, Milton, Mass.

Gilbert Harrow Kliman, Brookline, Mass.
Elisha Flagg Lee, Jr., Westwood, Mass.
Kenneth Harold Matthew Leet, Chestnut Hill, Mass.
Paul Thorndike Levinson, New York, N. Y.
Jeffrey Daniel Long, Wellesley Hills, Mass.
Edward Mark Lubell, New York, N. Y.
In Bong Lyo, Lansing, Michigan
Robert William Macomber, Jr., Castine, Maine
Mark Guerin Manning, Milton, Mass.
Michael Anthony McIntyre, New York, N. Y.
Peter Dudley McKillop, Washington, D. C.
John Burnett Morris, Jr., Atlanta, Georgia
Daniel Phillips Nugent, Jr., Randolph, Mass.
Frank Randolph Packard, Villanova, Pa.
David Goddard Perry, Wellesley, Mass.
Edward William Pride, III, East Falmouth, Mass.
Andrew Constant Purvis, Westmount, Quebec
Charles Anthony Radliff, Roxbury, Mass.
Wendell Switzer Reilly, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Alger Rollins, Durham, N. H.
Makoto Sawai, Kyoto, Japan
Stephen Anderson Segar, Canton, N. Y.
Timothy Gerald Sheehan, Plymouth, Mass.
John Gerald Smallwood, Wyandanch, N. Y.
Jonathan Alan Spound, Newton, Mass.
John Delano Stubbs, Jr., Weston, Mass.
Eric Gerard Sutherland, Norwood, Mass.
David Wulf Swetzooff, Chestnut Hill, Mass.
John Joseph Taylor, III, South Dartmouth, Mass.
Terrence Callahan Tedeschi, Norwell, Mass.
Daniel Whitney Thompson, Philadelphia, Pa.
John Howard Toulmin, Providence, Rhode Island
Luke Anthony Tulysewski, Canton, Mass.
David Gould Turin, New York, N. Y.
Richard Putnam Upjohn, Southborough, Mass.
Stephen Glenn Wilson, Roxbury, Mass.

MEMBERS OF CLASS II WHO ARE GRADUATING IN 1976

Andrew Matthew Gordon, Needham, Mass.
David Morse Kelley, Duxbury, Mass.

Jeffrey Eugene Piazza, Hingham, Mass.

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Timothy Hall, Westminster School,
London, England

MILTON ACADEMY BOYS' SCHOOL
GRADUATION EXERCISES

SUPPLEMENT



Friday, June Eleventh
Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Six

AWARDS AND PRIZES

1976

THE MILTON-HARVARD PRIZE

To a member of the Junior Class at Harvard College who, having prepared for college at Milton, has exemplified in his college life the ideals and traditions of his school.

Kevin Patrick Reilly, Jr.

THE ALFRED ELLIOT MEMORIAL TROPHY

For self-sacrifice and devotion to the best interests of his teams, regardless of skill.

David Goddard Perry

THE ROBERT SALTONSTALL MEDAL

For pre-eminence in physical efficiency and observance of the code of the true sportsman.

Mark Guerin Manning

THE HARVARD CLUB OF BOSTON PRIZE

To a member of the Second Class, for efficiency in studies, sturdiness of character, and excellence of influence in all relations of school life.

Barrett Eugene Sullivan

THE GEORGE WIGGLESWORTH CHASE PRIZE

To a boy in the Second Class who has shown a spirit of cooperation and self-sacrifice.

Frederick Winsor Stubbs

THE CHARLES PARKER REYNOLDS MEMORIAL AWARD

To a boy in the graduating class who has been conspicuous in his devotion to the Academy's ideals of justice, kindness, and fair sportsmanship, whether in athletics or affairs of life.

Terrence Callahan Tedeschi

THE WILLIAM BACON LOVERING AWARD

To a boy, chosen by his classmates, who has helped most by his sense of duty to perpetuate the memory of a gallant gentleman and officer.

Michael Hadley Carothers

RICHARD E. SHERBROOKE MEMORIAL

Presented by the Class of 1963 to a boy in Class VI who, in his relationship with his classmates, best illustrates the qualities of consideration, unselfishness, and responsibility.

David Henry Silk

WALTER A. BEYER MEMORIAL

Presented in memory of Walter A. Beyer, student and teacher at Milton Academy, to the boy in Class V who, in every aspect of school life, gives of himself cheerfully and thoughtfully in a manner that best exemplifies the qualities for which Walter Beyer is remembered.

Michael Christopher Chase

THE LOUIS ANDREWS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

To a member of the First or Second Class who has best fulfilled his potential in the areas of self-discipline, physical ability, integrity and concern for others.

David Alan Giandomenico

WILLIAMS COLLEGE PRIZE

To that upper classman who best combines enthusiastic participation in a specific area of school life with a spirit of warmth and friendliness.

Robert Elliott Baker

THE JAMES S. WILLIS MEMORIAL AWARD

To the Headmonitor.

Terrence Callahan Tedeschi

THE HENRY WARDER CAREY PRIZE

To a member of the First Class, who, in his Public Speaking, has best exemplified consistent effort, thoroughness in preparation, and fairness in point of view.

Robert Elliott Baker

THE BENJAMIN FOSDICK HARDING LATIN PRIZES

Level 5: Christopher John Trakas II

Level 4: Charles Julian Lowenstein

Level 3: Robert Edward Ward, Jr.

Level 2: Douglas Jacob Schwalbe

THE STACKPOLE PRIZE

To the author of the best creative compositions.

Sturtevant Tice Burr

Luke Anthony Tulysewski

THE 1976 SCIENCE DEPARTMENT AWARD

For attainment and promise in scientific studies.

David Morse Kelley

THE GORHAM PALFREY FAUCON PRIZE

To the author of the best essay on a given subject in American History.

David Morse Kelley

HISTORY DEPARTMENT PRIZE FOR
EXCELLENCE IN EUROPEAN HISTORY

John Howard Toulmin

THE GEORGE SLOAN OLDBERG MEMORIAL PRIZE

To a member of the Boys' School who has been a unique influence in the field of music.

Paul Thorndike Levinson

THE A. HOWARD ABELL PRIZE

Established by Dr. and Mrs. Eric Oldberg for a student deemed exceptionally proficient or talented in instrumental or vocal music or in composition.

Andrew Matthew Gordon

THE RICHARD LAWRENCE DERBY PRIZE

To an outstanding student in the Second Class in Mathematics, Astronomy, or Physics.

David Morse Kelley

Jeffrey Eugene Piazza

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CUM LAUDE

Class I

William Goodell Barnum
Robert John DeSimone
Gregory Patrick Dunn
Burton Fleming, II
Timothy Hugh Kenefick
Gilbert Harrow Kliman

Paul Thorndike Levinson
Edward Mark Lubell
Frank Randolph Packard
Andrew Constant Purvis
John Howard Toulmin
Luke Anthony Tulysewski

CLASS II

Alexander Toland Bok
*Andrew Matthew Gordon
*David Morse Kelley

*Jeffrey Eugene Piazza
Walter Fox Smith

*Graduates in June 1976

STUDENT COUNCIL

Class of 1976

Terrence Callahan Tedeschi, <i>Headmonitor</i>	
William Goodell Barnum, <i>Monitor</i>	Robbins House
Michael Hadley Carothers, <i>Monitor</i>	Day School
Jonathan Patrick Garrity, <i>Student Councilman</i>	
John Bernard Hynes, III, <i>Monitor</i>	Forbes House
Kenneth Harold Matthew Leet, <i>Monitor</i>	Hallowell House
Jeffrey Daniel Long, <i>Monitor</i>	Wolcott House
John Delano Stubbs, Jr., <i>Student Councilman</i>	

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Benjamin J. Williams, Beverly Farms
Margaret Byers Wood (Mrs. Robert C.), Lincoln

HYMNS

1

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home!

2

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

3

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

4

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home. Amen.

My country, 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrims' pride,
From every mountain side
Let freedom ring!

Our fathers' God, to Thee,
Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing:
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might,
Great God, our King. Amen.

July 19, 1976

Dear Mr. Theobald,

It was my treat being there in Milton with you. I have no particular charity that I would care to recommend. Indeed, please use your own judgment. I am a Trustee of the Episcopal Church Foundation and I believe in their work, but I am interested in many other charities and I really would prefer to have the school determine what it wants to do with the funds. Maybe there is a scholarship fund at the school or a teacher's retirement fund. Any of these would be deserving.

The main thing is that I was honored to be asked to speak and I enjoyed my visit there.

I hope you have a pleasant summer.

Yours very truly,



George Bush

Mr. Michael J. Theobald
Principal
Milton Academy
Milton, Massachusetts 02186



MILTON ACADEMY

MILTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02186

July 15, 1976

Mr. George H. W. Bush
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Bush:

This is, I regret, a very belated letter of thanks to you for being our speaker on Graduation Day. Your presence and your remarks were very much appreciated by the boys and the faculty and certainly helped create a memorable occasion not only, I trust, for the whole Bush-Ellis family, but also for everyone there on that day. I much enjoyed meeting your wife and it was a great pleasure to see Joe's grandmother again, and I hope the occasion will arise when we shall all meet again.

You were generous enough not to accept the usual speaker's honorarium. However, as I said in a previous letter, we should like to present it, if not to you, then to a charity or foundation of your choice. Do please let us know where you would prefer us to send it.

It was a great privilege to have you here on that day and we all hope that it will not be your last visit to Milton.

Yours sincerely,

Michael J. Theobald
Principal

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