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- 1) Subject: Meeting with Christopher Rush, National Muscular Dystrophy Poster Child, and Jerry Lewis, Chairman of the MDA.
- 2) List of invitees/attendees for meeting with economic briefing group.
- 3) Meeting with Republican members of the Senate Budget Committee regarding the 1984 Fiscal year Budget.
- 4) Meeting with Carl and Rachel Rosson and their handicapped children

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A) National Alliance of Business
summer jobs program

B) Republican National Committee *
"Working Partners" Project

C) "Neighbors Helping Neighbors"
report of the work of the President's
Task Force on Private Sector
Initiative.

D) New Mexico Republican Party
Annual Spring Dinner

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THE SCHEDULE OF
PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN

Tuesday, April 5, 1983



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9:30 am (15 min)	<u>National Security Briefing</u> (Clark)	Oval Office
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10:00 am (1hr15min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
11:15 am (5 min)	<u>Photo with Muscular Dystrophy Poster Child (Whittlesey)</u> (TAB A)	Oval Office
11:30 am (30 min)	<u>Economic Briefing</u> (Darman/Fuller) (TAB B)	Oval Office
12:00 m (60 min)	→ <i>Show Call.</i> <u>Lunch and Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
1:00 pm (30 min)	<u>Private Appointment (Ruge)</u>	Residence
1:30 pm (30 min)	<u>Briefing for Budget Committee Meeting</u> (Duberstein)	Oval Office
2:00 pm (45 min)	<u>Meeting with GOP Senate Budget Committee</u> (Duberstein) (TAB C)	Cabinet Room
2:45 pm (60 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
3:00 2:45 3:45 pm (10 min)	<i>show call Ely. Dole</i> <u>Courtesy Call by Eisenhower Fellows</u> (Clark) (distributed separately)	<i>Rob.</i> Roosevelt Room
4:00 pm (10 min)	<u>Meeting with Rossow Family</u> (Harper) (TAB D)	Roosevelt Room
4:15 pm (45 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
5:00 pm (20 min)	<u>Taping Session (Goode)</u> 1) PSI, 2) Summer Jobs, 3) Working Partners, 4) N.M. GOP Dinner (TAB E)	Diplomatic Reception Room
5:30 pm (30 min)	<u>Private Meeting</u> (Sittmann)	Residence

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4:00 pm

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 5, 1983

MEETING WITH ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS
SESSION WITH SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE REPUBLICANS

DATE: Tuesday, April 5, 1983

LOCATION: Oval Office

TIME: 1:30 (30 minutes)

FROM: KENNETH M. DUBERSTEIN *Kr D.*

I. PURPOSE

To brief the President on a basic budget plan being developed by Senate Budget Committee Chairman Pete Domenici and to review any "flexibility" in defense spending.

II. BACKGROUND

At 2:00 p.m., the President will be meeting with Majority Leader Howard Baker and the Senate Budget Committee Republicans to discuss the FY84 budget in general and defense spending in particular. The Committee will resume its markup on Wednesday with the defense spending level issue scheduled for Thursday.

III. PARTICIPANTS

BUSH

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secretary Weinberger | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill Clark |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secretary Regan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dick Darman |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Baker | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bud McFarlane |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ed Meese | |

IV. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Dave Stockman.....10 minutes
Secretary Weinberger.....10 minutes
Discussion.....10 minutes

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 4, 1983

MEETING WITH ECONOMIC BRIEFING GROUP

DATE: April 5, 1983
LOCATION: Oval Office
TIME: 11:30 a.m.

FROM: Craig L. Fuller

I. PURPOSE/BACKGROUND

An up date on the current domestic and international economic situation.

II. PARTICIPANTS

- The Vice President	- Richard G. Darman
- Secretary Regan	- Martin Feldstein
- Secretary Baldrige	- Craig L. Fuller
- Edwin Meese III	- David R. Gergen
- David A. Stockman	- Edwin L. Harper
- James A. Baker, III	- <i>LARRY SPEAKES</i>

III. PRESS PLAN

(White House photographers only)

IV. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Secretary Regan will be prepared to lead the discussion.

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9:45 am (15 min)	<u>Senior Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
10:00 am (1hr15min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
11:15 am (5 min)	<i>11:13-11:15 WHITTLESEY PHOTO OPP - PHILADELPHIA T.U.</i> <u>Photo with Muscular Dystrophy</u> 12:26 <u>Poster Child (Whittlesey)</u> 12:16 <i>12:26 A</i> 11:15 (STILLS)	Oval Office
11:30 am (30 min)	<u>Economic Briefing</u> 11:33 - 12:08 (Darman/Fuller) (TAB B)	Oval Office
12:00 m (60 min)	<u>Lunch and Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
1:00 pm (30 min)	<u>Private Appointment (Ruge)</u> 1:02 - 1:23	Residence
1:30 pm (30 min)	<u>Briefing for Budget Committee Meeting</u> (Duberstein) 1:30 -	Oval Office
2:00 pm (45 min)	<u>Meeting with GOP Senate Budget Committee</u> (Duberstein) 2:04 - 3:43 (TAB C)	Cabinet Room
2:45 pm (60 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u> <i>2:56 - 3:00 OVAL - PHONE CALL TO ELIZ. DOLL</i>	Oval Office
3:00 3:45 pm (10 min)	<u>Courtesy Call by Eisenhower Fellows</u> (Clark) (distributed separately)	Roosevelt Room CABINET
4:00 pm (10 min)	<u>Meeting with Rossow Family</u> 4:05 - 4:20 (Harper) <i>PHOTO OPP</i> (TAB D)	Roosevelt Room
4:15 pm (45 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u> 4:20 - 4:50	Oval Office
5:00 pm (20 min)	<u>Taping Session (Goode)</u> 4:50 - 5:15 1) PSI, 2) Summer Jobs, 3) Working Partners, 4) N.M. GOP Dinner (TAB E)	Diplomatic Reception Room
5:30 pm (30 min)	<u>Private Meeting</u> 5:30 - 6:08 (Sittmann)	Residence

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 6, 1983

TO: DAVE FISCHER
FROM: PAM TURNER
SUBJECT: Attendance at Meeting with the President on
April 5, 1983

The following individuals attended a meeting with the President on Tuesday, April 5 (2:00 p.m. in the Cabinet Room).

The Vice President
Secretary of State Shultz
Secretary of Defense Weinberger
OMB Director Stockman
Secretary of Treasury Regan
Chairman, Council of Economic Advisors, Martin Feldstein

Senate (GOP Members of the Budget Committee)

Howard Baker (R-Tennessee)
Pete Domenici (R-New Mexico)
William Armstrong (R-Colorado)
Nancy Kassebaum (R-Kansas)
Rudy Boschwitz (R-Minnesota)
Orrin Hatch (R-Utah)
John Tower (R-Texas)
Mark Andrews (R-North Dakota)
Steve Symms (R-Idaho)
Charles Grassley (R-Iowa)
Slade Gorton (R-Washington)

REGRET: Bob Kasten (R-Wisconsin)
Dan Quayle (R-Indiana)

Staff

James A. Baker III
Edwin Meese III
Michael Deaver
Richard Darman
Dave Gergen
William Clark
Craig Fuller
Kenneth M. Duberstein
Larry Speakes
Dave Swanson
Bob Kabel

Bud McFarlane
Pam Turner
Nancy Risque
Joe Hagen
Mike Hudson
Al Keel
Jennifer Fitzgerald
Steve Bell -- Staff Director,
Committee on the Budget
Nancy Kennedy
Bob Helm

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 4, 1983

MEETING WITH THE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY POSTER CHILD

DATE: April 5, 1983
Location: Oval Office
TIME: 11:15 a.m. - 11:20 a.m.
FROM: FAITH RYAN WHITTLESEY *FRW*

I. PURPOSE

To meet with the National Muscular Dystrophy Poster Child, Christopher Rush, 6 years old, and National MDA Chairman Jerry Lewis. To thank Lewis for his work on behalf of MDA.

II. BACKGROUND:

Jerry Lewis has been National Chairman for 33 years and has organized 2 million volunteers to assist the MDA in fund raising. Through the well-known yearly telethons, Lewis and his volunteers have raised over \$2 million.

Purpose of the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) is to conquer neuromuscular diseases affecting thousands of Americans, through worldwide research, patient services, and education.

Christopher Rush, from Rochester Michigan, was diagnosed at 9 months as having Kugelberg-Welander disease and is still in a wheel chair. Now an active first grader and humorous jokester, he will be presenting you with a portrait of himself taken by Yosuf Karsh, renowned portrait photographer. The young boy is very interested in space programs.

III. PARTICIPANTS: See attached list

IV. PRESS PLAN:
Press pool photo coverage.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- 11:15 a.m. You will be joined in Oval Office by Jerry Lewis, his family, Christopher Rush, and his family, MDA officials and Faith Whittlesey.
- 11:17 a.m. You move to the fireplace where the child will present his photograph to you. Photo opportunity for Jerry Lewis and the child. Another photo with the whole group.
- 11:20 a.m. The MDA group departs the Oval Office.

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION

NATIONAL POSTER CHILD AND FAMILY

Christopher George Rush (Poster Child)
Richard Robert Rush (father)
Doreas Aileen Rush (Mother)

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION OFFICIALS

Jerry Lewis (National Chairman)
Sandra Pitnick Lewis (his wife)

Joseph E. Stabile (Mr. Lewis' Manager)
Claudia Stabile (Mr. Lewis' secretary & Manager's wife)
Amy Reynolds Stabile (their daughter)

Craig H. Wood (MDA Director of Public Health Education)
John B. Sellman (MDA Director of Special Projects)
Harold Walker (MDA Photographer)
Gerald Auerbach (MDA Film and Television Consultant)

ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS

Faith Ryan Whittlesey
Jonathan Vipond (her deputy)
Virginia Knauer

Mike Deaver has okayed having a Philadelphia TV crew from WKY-TV follow Mrs. Whittlesey for a day. Their photographer will accompany her.

SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS FOR MEETING WITH
THE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION POSTER CHILD AND JERRY LEWIS

- I know all Americans join me in supporting the goals of the Muscular Dystrophy Association to conquer neuromuscular diseases that affect hundreds of thousands of our citizens.
- With the help of the two million volunteers and professionals all over the world, MDA has made enormous gains through research, education, and special services for patients.
- Christopher, I'm very proud of this portrait of you. As you travel around the country, you will be a shining example of those who have been helped by the MDA.
- I understand you too have an interest in space. The future holds many wonders and challenges for us. There is much for us to learn and conquer, just as you have done with your disease.
- Jerry, with your warmth and humor, you have captured the capacity of the American public to give from their hearts and with their dollars to help those who desperately need assistance.
- I congratulate you on your long commitment to this cause. I urge everyone to join you again this year with a generosity that even surpasses last year's.

B

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 4, 1983

MEETING WITH ECONOMIC BRIEFING GROUP

DATE: April 5, 1983
LOCATION: Oval Office
TIME: 11:30 a.m.
FROM: Craig L. Fuller

I. PURPOSE/BACKGROUND

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II. PARTICIPANTS

The Vice President	Richard G. Darman
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III. PRESS PLAN

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IV. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Secretary Regan will be prepared to lead the discussion.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 4, 1983

MEETING WITH REPUBLICAN MEMBERS OF THE SENATE
BUDGET COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, April 5, 1983

LOCATION: The Cabinet Room

TIME: 2:00 p.m. (45 minutes)

FROM: Kenneth M. Duberstein *KMD*

I. PURPOSE

To discuss Senate Budget Committee markup of the Fiscal Year 1984 budget.

II. BACKGROUND

The Senate Budget Committee began markup of the Fiscal Year 1984 budget in mid-March prior to the Easter recess. Following the House vote on the budget, which produced a defense spending level considerably below that requested by the Administration and amid concerns that the Senate Budget Committee might take similar action, you met with Senate Budget Committee Chairman Pete Domenici (R-New Mexico) and Ranking Democrat Lawton Chiles (D-Florida) on March 15 to ask that they postpone final action on the defense portion of the budget until after the Easter recess. You suggested this delay in order to allow time to review the defense spending level and to determine whether there could be any adjustments in that level. Reluctantly, Domenici and Chiles agreed to delay, and the Committee is now scheduled to continue their markup beginning on April 6.

Senator Domenici has been working on some budget options which, for the most part, appear to be agreeable to the Administration with the exception of the defense numbers. The sentiment of the Committee members continues to be toward a defense spending level below that which we could accept. Today's meeting is an opportunity for you and your top Administration officials to discuss the budget, and specifically the defense spending issue with these Republican members of the Budget Committee in an effort to work out an agreeable solution on this crucial issue.

You should be aware that three of these Senators, Senators Grassley, Kassebaum, and Gorton, had requested a separate meeting with you on the issue of defense spending numbers, but we were unable to work this into the schedule prior to the Easter recess. It is likely that these three members may be particularly critical of our defense numbers.

III. PARTICIPANTS

List attached

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House photographer only

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Senators to arrive Northwest Gate, enter the West Lobby, and be escorted to the Cabinet Room for a 30-minute meeting with the President.

Attachments: Participants List
Talking Points

PARTICIPANTS

The President
The Vice President
Secretary of State Shultz
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Bud McFarlane
Pam Turner
Nancy Risque
Joe Hagen
Mike Hudson

Steve Bell, Staff Director, Committee on the Budget

TALKING POINTS WILL BE AVAILABLE TOMORROW --
AND WILL BE DISCUSSED IN THE 1:30 P.M. BRIEFING
ON THIS SUBJECT.

D

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 4, 1983

MEETING WITH ROSSOW FAMILY

April 5, 1983

Roosevelt Room

4:00 p.m.

FROM: EDWIN L. HARPER 

I. PURPOSE

To give recognition to the Rossow family for their extraordinary efforts to help handicapped children and to give each of the Rossows' adopted and foster children an opportunity to meet the President.

II. BACKGROUND

Last month the President telephoned the Rossow family and spoke with the parents and each of the children. The family came to the President's attention when he viewed the "Death in the Nursery" TV series on infanticide.

The Rossow family, from Ellington, Connecticut, was featured in that series as an ideal alternative to allowing handicapped children to die or abandoning them to an institution.

The Rossows have come to Washington this week to testify before the Senate Subcommittee on Family and Human Services, at a hearing on child abuse and protection of handicapped children. The Rossow parents have been leaders in Connecticut in counseling parents of newborn handicapped children and in speaking out publicly about the value of life of handicapped children.

The visit with the President is primarily to be an opportunity for the President to meet and talk with the children.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Parents

Carl Rossow
Rachel Rossow

Children

Rachel Marie
Robert
Edward
Susan
Patrick

(continued)

Glencora
Maria
Mary
Simone
David
Charles
Ellen
Dina
Benjamin

(10 of the children will be in wheelchairs.)

Helpers for the family

Doris R. Marshall
Thomas Nerney

White House Staff

Robert B. Carleson
Stephen H. Galebach
Anne Higgins
Dee Jepsen
Virginia Knauer

IV. PRESS PLAN

Pool photo coverage at end of meeting.

White House photographer.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

When the President enters the room, he will be introduced first to the parents, Carl and Rachel. The parents will then introduce each of the children, with the President talking with each child in turn. The Rossows will also present the President with a short cassette recording of a song about their son Benjamin.

Attachment: Talking Points

Talking Points

- o I want to commend you for the outstanding example you have set for all Americans in your care for handicapped children.

- o Thank you for reminding us all of the great value of the family and the importance of love in our lives.

- o I have been looking forward to meeting your children ever since I spoke with each of them by phone last month.

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(PSI/LP edit/AB)
April 4, 1983
3:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL TAPING: WHITE HOUSE/NATIONAL ALLIANCE OF BUSINESS
SUMMER JOBS PROGRAM
TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 1983

I want to thank you for this opportunity to speak about the urgent need to help our young people find jobs this summer.

Remember your summer vacations and your summer jobs? Whether it was mowing lawns, lifeguarding, or working at the corner store, we all had a learning experience -- one we took back to school in September telling our friends about, and with a few extra dollars to show for it besides. Or, if you grew up in a family like mine, you contributed to the family kitty for food and clothing.

We also came away from that early job experience as more responsible people. We learned that others relied on us to accomplish a task, and if we didn't complete it we were letting them down. Most of us also started to feel a sense of satisfaction, knowing that we had accomplished something on our own.

This summer, like every summer, millions of young people will be looking for summer jobs, and for that same sense of satisfaction we felt. But for today's youth, jobs may be harder to find. Last summer more than 12 million of our young people had summertime work. But over 3 million did not find jobs. They deserve our help, for they are the work force of tomorrow.

There are several ways your company can help. First, reserve some of your part-time summer positions for needy young people. Through the Targeted Jobs Tax Credit, if you hire a

needy youth who is certified by the local job service, your company can receive a significant tax credit against the wages you pay.

If you have no openings this summer, consider a corporate contribution. Private industry councils and other community groups will be creating jobs for young people, but they need financial assistance. By giving a donation to a local jobs program, you could help several young people get the summer experience that could last a lifetime.

Once again, I'm asking the National Alliance of Business to help you open your doors to needy youth this summer. This year the NAB is conducting seminars across the country explaining how to use the Targeted Jobs Tax Credit, where to find available, willing young workers, and where you can send your corporate donations. Please take the time to work with the NAB. This organization has my wholehearted support -- and a proven track record that can't be beaten.

Think about it, should we, as Americans, allow another jobless summer to go by for large numbers of our young people? A job this summer could make a real difference. You and I had the chance to learn, grow, and gain that sense of self-worth. Now it's our turn to pass that experience on to others. You can make the difference. So please, if at all possible, hire a needy young person this summer and help America prepare for tomorrow. Thank you, and God bless you.

(Maseng/AB)
April 4, 1983
2:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL TAPING: MESSAGE FOR RNC "WORKING PARTNERS"
PRESENTATION
TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 1983

For too many decades, Americans have been told to turn to government to solve all their problems. It hasn't worked, and today, we're finally turning things around. There has been a re-birth of private initiative in this country. The can-do, American spirit of individual effort is on the rebound.

A great source of American strength has always been the ingenuity of our people and their willingness to work together to help each other and better their communities. Our party is encouraging this volunteer spirit through programs like Working Partners and other private-sector initiatives.

So, it's a real pleasure for me to introduce this documentary about Working Partners in Colorado. I challenge each of you to help us rediscover America's tradition of neighbor caring for neighbor.

Ladies and gentlemen, the challenge is great, but the opportunity is even greater. Together, limited only by our energy and imagination, we can make the American dream come true.

Thank you for your help and support.

(PSI/Rohrabacher/AB)
April 4, 1983
3:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL TAPING: "NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBOR"
TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 1983

Neighbor helping neighbor has always been a fundamental part of the American scene. From the earliest harvest-sharing between native American and pilgrim to the latest fundraising telethon for medical research, our country has been built by acts of goodwill. Today private initiative and volunteer efforts abound. Americans from all walks of life -- all ages, races, and income levels -- are doing their share in partnership with neighbors and friends, working to build a better society. These good works are making a significant difference in the kind of society in which we live.

Over a year ago we created a President's Task Force on Private Sector Initiatives. We asked it to find and spotlight private initiatives, volunteer efforts and partnerships -- examples of good citizenship to inspire communities and individuals around the country. I'm happy to report that the Task Force found the voluntary spirit in America alive, well, and growing. They discovered thousands and thousands of wonderful examples of this precious part of the American character.

At the end of their work the Task Force presented me with a video report. I must tell you that I was deeply moved and encouraged by what I saw. The presentation is a tribute to the more than 84 million Americans who volunteer about \$64 billion worth in talent and time to community service each year. It illuminates the contributions of the widest spectrum of our

citizens and shows so clearly how much is accomplished when free and caring men and women work together.

Government cannot and should not do everything alone. The Task Force's report shows what individual citizens and families, civic and religious groups, businesses, unions, philanthropic organizations, trade associations, service clubs, educational institutions, and others can do when they set their minds to it.

I decided that this tape should not simply be filed and forgotten in the White House archives. I want to share it with you -- for it is about you and America's endless generosity.

The great poet William Wordsworth once said that the best portion of a good man's life is his little, nameless, unremembered acts of kindness and love.

"Neighbor Helping Neighbor" has captured some of those commitments of heart, time, talent, and money. Thank you and God bless you for your service to your neighbors and your Nation.

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PRESIDENTIAL TAPING: MESSAGE TO ATTENDEES AT NEW MEXICO
REPUBLICAN PARTY ANNUAL SPRING DINNER
TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 1983

Greetings to all of you in New Mexico. I'm sorry I cannot be with you, but thanks for giving me this opportunity to send you my best wishes and warmest regards. If this is New Mexico, I know that Corky Morris must be there. Corky's always been there when it counted and I want you to know how grateful I am to have had him on my team over the years.

Greetings also to Congressmen Lujan and Skeen. They've been part of the action back here, and that's putting it mildly. Together, we're fighting a no-holds-barred battle with those who would see our country return to the tax, spend, and inflate policies that knocked the wind out of our economy in the first place. Without the backing of hardworking and responsible Congressmen, like Manual Lujan and Joe Skeen, we'd never be able to hold the line.

With their support, and with each of you doing your part, we've begun to turn around a situation that was destroying the economic viability of our country. We should never hesitate to point out that the other party had its chance, and failed. When they controlled both houses of the Congress, all the departments and agencies, as well as the White House, all they gave us was ever-increasing taxes, massive inflation, sky-high interest rates, and a business decline from which we are just now emerging. The only way people will vote to return to those days is if they forget what those days were like. Well, we can't let

the American people forget. That's our job. If we can't get them thinking like Republicans, at least we can help them have a memory like an elephant.

Now I realize the 1982 election was no picnic for New Mexico Republicans. However, there is every reason for us to be optimistic. We've held firm to our basic program and it's getting to the point where even the Democrats will have to admit it's working. Our economy is more than on the mend -- it's beginning to take off. Real wages and productivity are up for the first time in years. The prime interest rate is down to 10½ percent; it was 21½ percent when we took office. The housing, automobile, and steel industries are showing signs of recovery. The inflation monster that was gobbling up our way of life -- running at double digits for 2 years in a row just before we got here -- has been held to below 1 percent for the last 6 months. And, at long last, unemployment is beginning to inch down.

Both Main Street and Wall Street are betting this will be a strong and sustained recovery. I think it's a good bet.

But none of this will continue if we are lured back to the irresponsibility of the past. Without you and the work you're doing, the opposition would drag the country back into the swamp we've worked so hard to drain. So, for goodness sakes, don't let up. We win some and lose some, but we can never afford to give up; America would be the loser if we did.

So keep up the good work. We're in this together, and we're going to win -- of that you can be sure. Good luck and God bless you.