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Admiral Elmo Zumwalt
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Dear Bud:

I thought it might be useful for you to know something about our fellow diners at the Army Navy Country Club September 11.

Joan and I are looking forward to seeing you and Mrs. Zumwalt there. The descriptions of those attending are on the attached sheet.

Sincerely,



Robert E. Schweitz
Vice President-Editorial Director

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Enclosure

For Admiral Zumwalt: background information -- Jane Vitray, Gus and Connie Johnson, Joan and Bob Schweitz.

Augustus Johnson -- profession, mathematician, employed by Mitre Corp. as consultant on energy problems.

Engineered the strategy which eventually ended Byrd Organization control of Northern Virginia, in the late 50's and 60's. As Fairfax County Democratic Chairman and 10th District Chairman, he unified liberal-moderate party leadership in Alexandria, Arlington, Falls Church, Fairfax County and City and became a state-wide strategist for other committees with any potential leadership against "courthouse" (i.e. Byrd) control.

Ran for Congress in 1960 and '64, coming closer (2,000 votes in a presidential election) in '64 than anyone until Joe Fisher. Has been a principal advisor in innumerable campaigns and party feuds, locally and statewide.

Jane Vitray -- Assistant Director of Women's Activities, National Democratic Committee.

The most effective politician in the primary campaign in which George Rawlings unseated Judge Howard Smith, a major, unexpected upset, nationally and statewide. Rawlings lost the new 8th district seat to now Sen. Wm. Scott who ran a classic racist campaign invoking busing, which was not an issue, but won an election. (He did the same thing to beat Sen. Wm. Spong, a candidate for whom all of the above have great affection and logged lots of volunteer hours).

Vitray became Fairfax County Democratic Chairman, in a rather bloody fight, re-organized a permanent 10th district headquarters (now including the 8th) and has been the principal advisor in most of the successful legislature races from Fairfax County.

Both Vitray and Johnson have many loyal troops and also detractors.

Joan Schweitz -- wife of Bob Schweitz.

A former newspaper reporter, she has handled press and public relations for many of the campaigns in which Vitray

and Johnson were involved. She was president of the Northern Virginia Democratic Women's Club, has managed a delegate's campaign (Carrington Williams) and a mayoralty and city council campaign (Ed Prichard). Statewide she has worked with both William Battle and Bill Spong. She is vice-chairman of the Fairfax City Democratic Committee.

Connie Johnson -- teacher -- on the staff of the Human Relations Director of Fairfax County schools. A leading force for racial equality in the schools and the community and a savvy manager of school bond campaigns and other community-oriented issues on the ballot.

Bob Schweitz -- A vice president and editorial director of the Army Times Publishing Co. Also a director of Journal Newspapers Inc., which publishes three weekly papers in northern Virginia and two in Maryland.



E. R. ZUMWALT, JR.
ADMIRAL, U. S. NAVY (RET.)

September 22, 1975

Dear Bob,

Please accept a belated note of heartfelt appreciation from Mouza and me for your hospitality and for the wonderful opportunity to get to know you and Joan, Jane Vitray, and the Johnsons.

We look forward to seeing more of you.

Sincerely,

E. R. ZUMWALT, JR.

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