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MEMO FROM / JIM FAIRCHILD

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chance to work together
again soon. Give a tremendous
gail!

Thanks,
Jim



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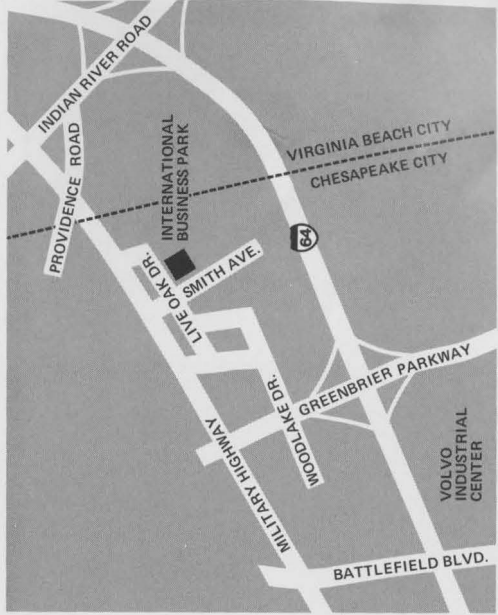
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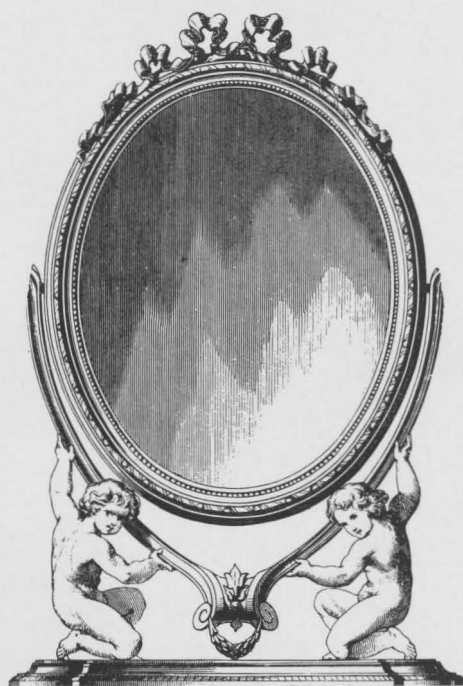
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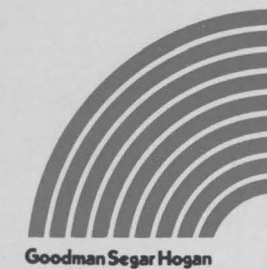


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1. Welcoming of the Queen in the Botanical Gardens
2. American Heritage Festival
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QUEEN AZALEA XXIII, MISS SUSAN FORD, TO RECEIVE OFFICIAL
NORFOLK WELCOME, SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 1976 IN THE BOTANICAL
GARDENS.

Departing from past Festival traditions, Queen Azalea XXIII, Miss Susan Ford, will be officially greeted by the City of Norfolk in the NATO Amphitheater at the Botanical Gardens, rather than the customary airport reception. Jim Fairchild, Executive Director of the Festival, explained the change as an opportunity for more people to greet Queen Azalea XXIII in a setting that provides a natural background for this colorful ceremony.

Featured along with City and Festival dignitaries will be an address by John W. Warner, Administrator, American Bicentennial Administration. This event, marking the opening of Azalea Festival week in Norfolk, is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 25. Admission is free to the welcoming ceremonies and no ticket is required, however, there is a 50¢ admission to the Botanical Gardens.

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DISPLAYS BY LOCAL ETHNIC ORGANIZATIONS. HIGHLIGHTING THEIR
CULTURES AND TRADITIONS, WILL BE ONE OF THE OPENING DAY
EVENTS FOR THE 23RD ANNUAL AZALEA FESTIVAL.

The American Heritage Festival, presented by a combination of local ethnic organizations, is one of the opening day events for this year's Azalea Festival. Cultures and traditions of various groups from many nations will be presented Sunday, April 25 from 1:30 until 5:30 p.m. in the Botanical Gardens. Arts, crafts, dance, music and food will highlight an impressive display of American heritage and ethnic background.

Admission is free and no ticket is required; however, there is a 50¢ admission fee to the Botanical Gardens.

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NORFOLK SYMPHONY AZALEA FESTIVAL CONCERT TO FEATURE LILI KRANS,
PIANIST, AS GUEST ARTIST

The Norfolk Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Russell Stanger, will present a varied program appropriately dedicated to the 23rd Annual International Azalea Festival. Lili Krans, nationally recognized concert pianist, will be the guest artist for this concert. The performance will be held in Chrysler Hall, Monday, April 26th at 8:30 p.m. Tickets may be obtained at the Chrysler Hall box office, or through the chamber office.

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THE BARTER THEATER TO DEDICATE THEIR FINAL PERFORMANCE OF THIS
SEASON TO QUEEN AZALEA XXIII, MISS SUSAN FORD, SUNDAY, APRIL 25TH.

In what can only be described as a most successful season, the Barter Theater Company will close with their final performance at the Chrysler Museum on Sunday, April 25th, coinciding with the opening of the 23rd annual Azalea Festival in Norfolk.

This performance is being dedicated to the Azalea Festival and its Queen, Miss Susan Ford.

Tickets for the final performance may be obtained at the Chrysler Museum, or through the Norfolk Chamber of Commerce office. The Barter Theater will return to its residence in Norfolk again next year.

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FASHION TO KEYNOTE FESTIVAL LUNCHEONS FOR QUEEN AZALEA XXIII,
MISS SUSAN FORD.

The Omni International Hotel will host two luncheons and fashion shows presented by different organizations for Queen Azalea and her Court. Tuesday, April 27th, the luncheon sponsored by Beta Sigma Phi will feature "Two Hundred Years of American Fashion", a presentation by Sears Fashion Department. Tickets for the luncheon may be obtained from the Norfolk Chamber of Commerce, or any Sears store. Friday's Azalea Festival Fashion Show and Luncheon is sponsored by Montgomery Wards under the direction of their show coordinator, Ms. Barbara Lewis of Charm Associates. Tickets for the Friday luncheon may be obtained from Montgomery Wards, phone 461-4561.

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QUEEN AZALEA XXIII TO PARTICIPATE IN A SPECIAL FLAG CEREMONY
AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER ATLANTIC

Flags of the fourteen NATO Nations represented in Norfolk will be raised in a special Flag Raising Ceremony at the Headquarters of the Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic at 12 noon, Wednesday, April 28th. This colorful ceremony includes Marines from the Marine Detachment at SACLANT Headquarters and the CINCLANTFLT Band. This event is a part of each Azalea Queen's official functions and underscores the international significance of the Azalea Festival.

This event is free to the public. NATO Headquarters are on the CINCLANTFLT Compound, off Hampton Blvd.

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NORFOLK CIVIC BALLET ANNUAL GALA PERFORMANCE FEATURES GUEST
ARTIST M. CLARK TIPPETT AND CONDUCTOR WALTER NOONA.

The annual gala performance by the Norfolk Civic Ballet will feature guest artist M. Clark Tippett of the American Ballet Theatre. Walter Noona will conduct the Virginia Beach Symphony Orchestra in a varied program. The performance will be held in Chrysler Hall, Wednesday, April 28th beginning at 8 p.m. Tickets may be obtained at the Academy of Norfolk Ballet, or at the Chrysler Hall Box Office.

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ANNUAL CIVIC CLUB LUNCHEON TO HIGHLIGHT THE PRESENTATION OF
QUEEN AZALEA XXIII, MISS SUSAN FORD, AND HER ROYAL COURT TO
THE AREA'S LEADING BUSINESS AND CIVIC LEADERS.

Over 500 area business and community leaders will attend the annual Civic Club Luncheon, sponsored by the Women's Division of the Norfolk Chamber of Commerce Thursday, April 29th as a major event of the International Azalea Festival. This year's guest speaker is Martin Hoffman, Secretary of the Army. The Civic Club Luncheon is the first event during the Festival to present the Queen and her Court. The princesses from the various NATO countries will arrive earlier that morning to begin their full schedule of Festival activities. The Omni International Hotel will host this event as well as serve the headquarters for the Azalea Festival Committee, Queen and Princesses.

Tickets for the Civic Club Luncheon may be obtained from the Chamber office.

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SINGING STAR ANNE MURRAY TO ENTERTAIN AT THE QUEEN'S COMMAND
PERFORMANCE.

The very popular Anne Murray, nationally recognized for her many top recordings, will entertain at the Queen's Command Performance in Chrysler Hall, Friday evening, April 30th beginning at 8:00 p.m. Her first hit, "Snowbird", very quickly placed her on top of the American pop charts and her career well on its way. Anne appeared as a regular on the Glen Campbell Show and has done guest appearances with virtually every big name in television including the Tonight Show, Merv Griffin, Mike Douglas, Dean Martin, Danny Thomas and David Frost. Her style and selections of songs will please both popular, ballad and country western music fans. She is, in fact, an artist that spans the full spectrum of music today.

Tickets for the Queen's Command Performance are \$5.00 and \$6.00 and may be purchased at the Scope Box Office and all Video-seat outlets.

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AZALEA FESTIVAL SPORTING EVENTS PROVIDES FOR A VARIETY OF
SPECTATOR INTERESTS.

Take your choice, golf, soccer, rugby, sailing, bicycle races....they are all part of the 1976 Azalea Festival week festivities. The Azalea Festival Golf Tournament, sponsored by the Norfolk Sports Club for benefit of their scholarship fund kicks off Monday, April 26th at the Lake Wright Golf Course. The Festival Soccer Tournament will be held at Foreman Field, while the Azalea Festival MacArthur Cup Rugby games will be played at the athletic field on the Naval Station. The MacArthur Cup will be a perpetual trophy provided by Montgomery Wards. Both events are scheduled throughout the week. The Naval Sailing Center on Willoughby Bay will host the Azalea Festival Sailing Regatta beginning Saturday, May 1st. A special bicycle race will be run Sunday on Shirley Avenue in front of Maury High School beginning at 1 p.m. The races are sponsored by the Norfolk Department of Parks and Recreation and the Tidewater Bicycle Association.

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FESTIVAL GRAND PARADE GETS A NEW MARCHING ROUTE AND A POPULAR
TV PERSONALITY.

Viewing this years Azalea Festival parade will be a new experience due to the major change in the parade route. This year, for the first time, the parade will start at the intersection of Bank and City Hall Avenues, proceed west to Waterfront Drive, then east along Waterfront Drive to St Paul's Boulevard, to Brambleton Avenue and east to Boush Street. There will be ample space along each side of the parade route to assure a good view of the over 100 units expected to participate in this year's Grand Parade. And for the television fans, Anson Williams, better known as Potsie on "Happy Days" will be this year's Grand Marshall. The many floats, bands, and other marching units makes this event one of the most popular of the week long Azalea Festival.



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Start

Plum St.

MacArthur Memorial

Main St.

Waterfront Dr.

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TIDEWATER AREA RADIO CLUBS TO AID IN AZALEA FESTIVAL PARADE

Norfolk, April 19 --- More than 150 members of ten Tidewater Area Citizens Band and Amateure Radio Clubs will participate in all aspects of planning and logistics for the 23rd Annual Azalea Festival Parade to be held on May 1.

The area radio clubs participating in the parade presentations are: ALERT of Virginia Beach, Team 349; Citizens Band Emergency Radio Team of Chesapeake (CBERT); Emergency Communications Help Organization (ECHO); Norfolk ALERT, Team 525; Portsmouth Citizens Radio Service Team Number One; Tidewater Emergency Assistance Monitors (TEAM); Tidewater Citizens Band Club; Tidewater Emergency Radio Rescue and Assistance Communications Team (TERRAC); Tidewater Radio Emergency Assistance Communications Team (Tidewater REACT), and the Virginia Beach Citizens Band Club. Director of the parade is Harry DeButts.

The parade is the largest, single cooperative effort attempted by the radio clubs of this area, although many have participated in local Safety City Programs, Annual Telethons, Walk-A-Thons, Bike-A-Thons, Civil Defense Programs, as well as providing time and financial assistance to local hospital programs and orphanages.

The two-hour Azalea Festival Parade will feature Susan Ford as Queen Azalea XXIII, 100 marching and specialty units from throughout the east.

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CORONATION CEREMONIES OF MISS SUSAN FORD, QUEEN AZALEA XXIII,
AND HER COURT TO FEATURE MUSIC, FLOWERS AND BEAUTY.

The setting is the beautiful NATO Amphitheater at the Botanical Gardens, Saturday May 1st. Queen Azalea and her Royal Court will be crowned among a wide variety of Azaleas and other spring flowers in what is considered the highlight of the week long Azalea Festival. In keeping with the international significance of the Queen's reign, the ambassadors or a top executive of each NATO country is invited to serve as crowner for the Queen and her court. United States Presidents and prominent officials of other NATO member nations have honored past Festivals by serving as crowners for their countries' Queen during the coronation ceremonies. Entertainment will proceed the actual coronation. Tickets for the ceremonies may be obtained through the Norfolk Chamber of Commerce by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to Box 327, Norfolk, Virginia 23501.

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ANNUAL AZALEA BALL TO FEATURE A VARIETY OF MUSIC AND
ENTERTAINMENT FOR QUEEN AZALEA XXIII AND HER COURT.

The 1976 Azalea Ball, sponsored by the Junior League of Norfolk and Virginia Beach for their many charitable projects, will feature a variety of music and entertainment in honor of Queen Azalea, Miss Susan Ford and her Royal Court. Popular local personality, Tommy Gwaltney and his orchestra will provide music for dancing along with a special guest appearance by the Original Drifters. This year's Ball will be held in the new Omni International Hotel beginning at 9:30 p.m., Saturday, May 1st. Tickets for the Azalea Ball are \$50.00 per couple, which includes an open bar and hors d'oeuvres. The Junior League depends on the Ball each year as a source of income for their many worthwhile community projects. Tickets may be obtained from the Junior League office, or by calling the Norfolk Chamber of Commerce.

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NAVAL STATION OPEN HOUSE TO FEATURE NAVY'S BLUE ANGELS AND
OTHER EXCITING AERIAL ATTRACTION.

The final event of the 1976 Azalea Festival is the Naval Station Open House and air show, Sunday May 2nd beginning at 1 p.m. The Navy's famous Blue Angels will perform their special precision flying formations along with performances by the Army's Silver Eagles Helicopter Team and the Navy Parachute team. In addition to the air show, there will be many other Naval displays. The Naval Station will be opened to the public all day for this special Azalea Festival event. The air show is free to the public.

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PHOTO CONTEST ADDED TO THE 1976 AZALEA FESTIVAL.

This year's Azalea Festival will provide visitors with an opportunity to win valuable prizes in a Photo Contest sponsored by Kodak. The contest will run during the Festival week with prizes awarded for color snapshots taken of listed Festival events on the entry blank. Various local merchants have donated prizes for the winners. The Grand Prize is a \$1,000 7-day cruise to San Juan and St. Thomas courtesy of Gulotta's Travel Service. Other prizes include cameras, an electric typewriter and various gift certificates. Entry blanks may be obtained from participating sponsors and at the Norfolk Chamber of Commerce. Anyone may enter as often as they wish and all entries must be submitted before May 16, 1976.

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Susan's personality two-sided

By PAT FRANKLIN

— Susan Ford is the daughter of the President of the United States, but she doesn't always act like it. She can be sophisticated and cool one minute, and playful and childlike the next.

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NORFOLK — Susan Ford is the daughter of the President of the United States, but she doesn't always act like it.

Susan can be sophisticated and cool one minute, and playful and childlike the next.

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Her father's quick ascent to the presidency took her by surprise, she said, but she asserts that neither she nor anyone in the family has changed because of it.

Speaking of her father, she said, "I've seen him age, but as far as changing, he's lost weight, but his attitudes haven't changed at all."

She said her father never warned the family before Richard Nixon resigned that he might soon become president.

"Daddy never said anything to us and (the only way we knew) was because the press was living out on our lawn

Exhausted, happy queen leaves well-run festival

By PAT FRANKLIN

NORFOLK — An exhausted but happy Susan Ford departed Norfolk Sunday at 5:10 p.m., laden with gifts, plaques and various awards she had received during her

reign as Queen of Norfolk's XXIII International Azalea Festival.

All in all, everyone seemed to believe the week went extraordinarily well, even taking into account the Saturday



Moore Aide Denies Giving Bribe Order

CHARLESTON, W. Va. (UPI) — A former top aide testified in federal court Friday that he never gave instructions for a \$25,000 bribe to be paid to Arch Moore in 1972.

Moore and William Loy, the governor's former top aide who took the witness stand Friday, are charged by the government with extorting \$25,000 from a now-bankrupt loan company in exchange for a bank charter that was never granted.

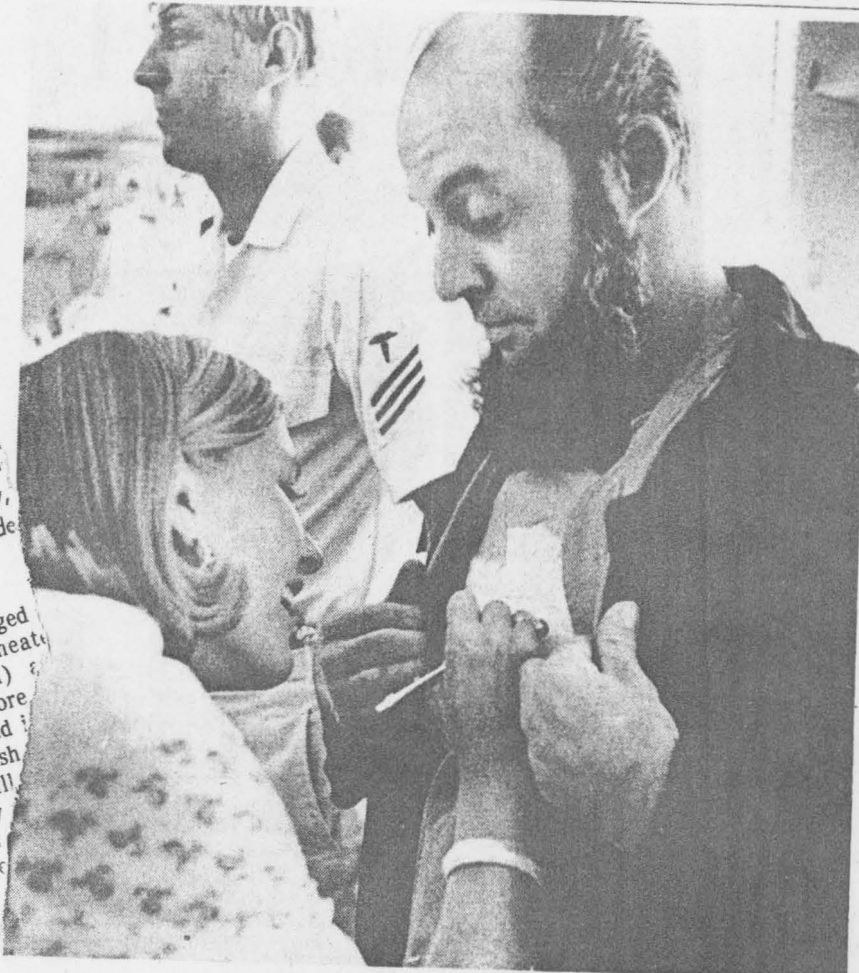
Loy was asked by his attorney if he ever telephoned Gassaway, W. Va. banker Nolan Hamric and told him to instruct the former president of the loan company to go to the governor's office with the alleged payoff.

"No, sir, I did not," Loy testified.

Loy, 43, admitted there may have been a passing remark about a campaign contribution during a conversation with Hamric. Loy said Hamric, an unindicted co-conspirator in the case, may have said:

"By the way, these people might be good for a campaign contribution."

Any such comment "was not connected with a bank charter, per se."



SUSAN SIGNS — Azalea festival queen Susan Ford paid a visit to the Portsmouth Naval Hospital in Norfolk.

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Virginian-Pilot Photo by Jim Jennings

Queen Azalea XXIII "shoots" planes as escort Kilton Kingsman of the Naval Academy and Capt. W. S. Thompson, commanding officer of the Norfolk Naval Air Station, seem to act as spotters.

A Snappy Ending To Azalea Festival

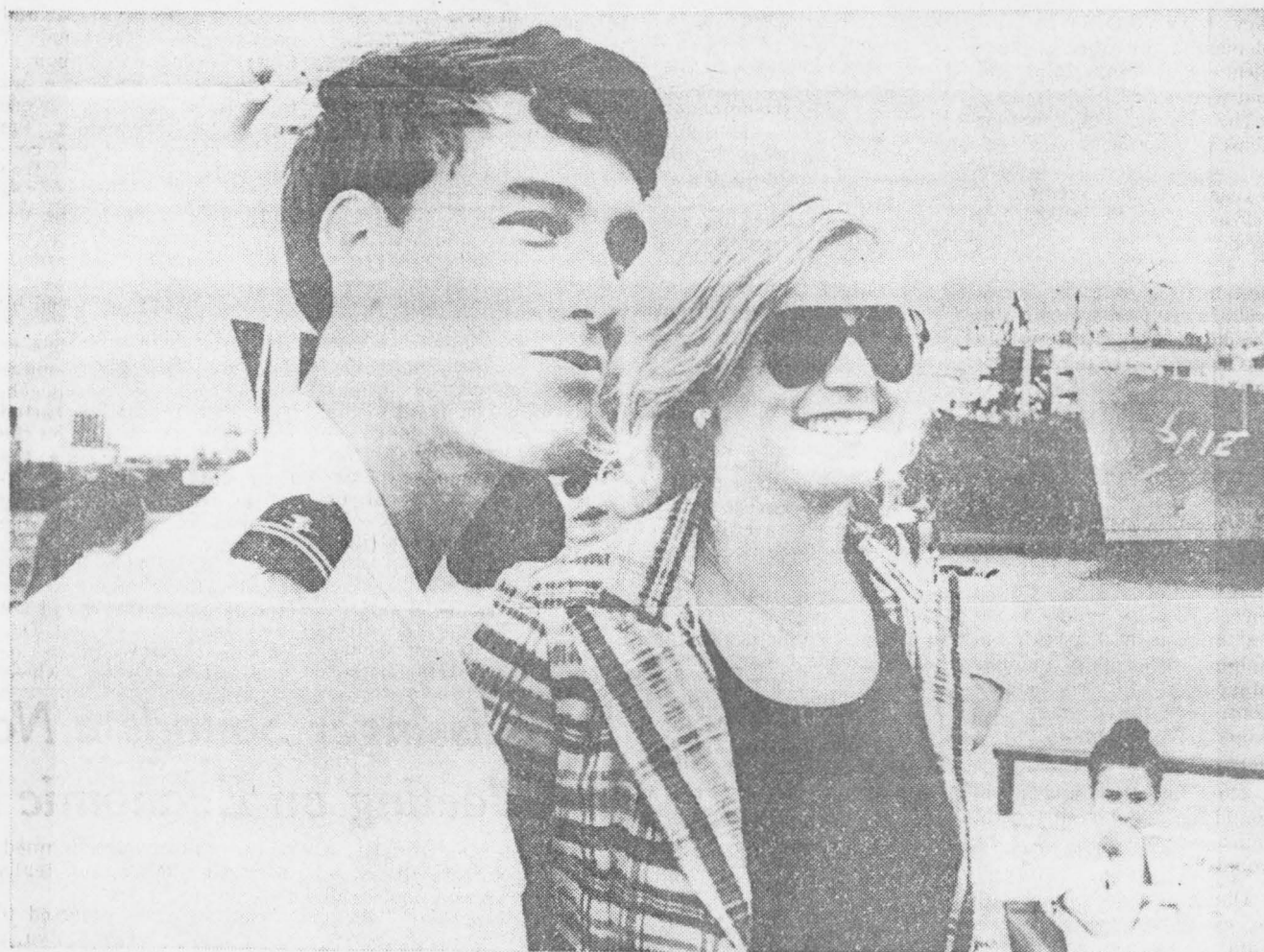
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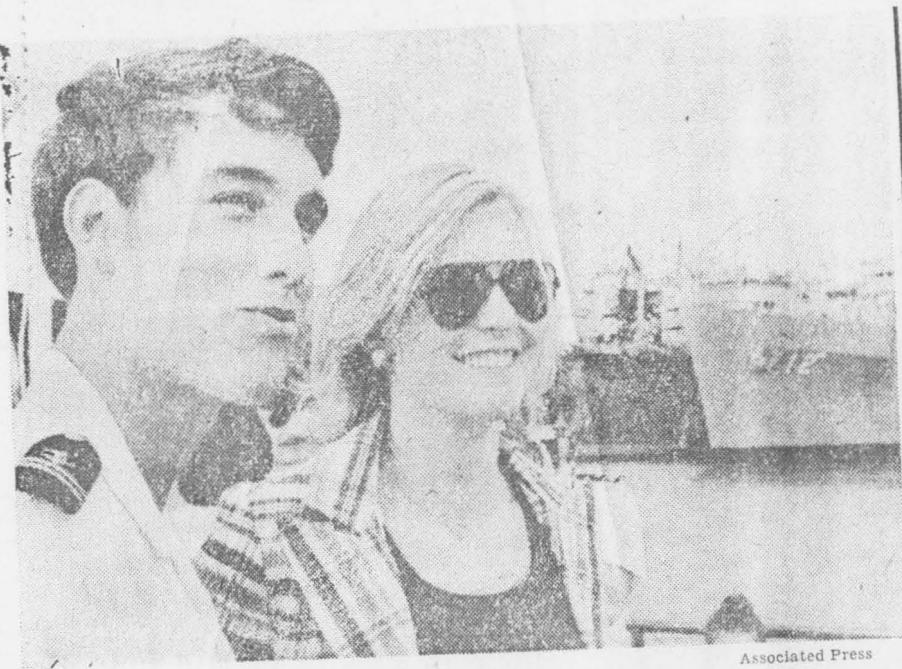
CHATTANOOGA, TENN., 37401, THURSDAY, MAY 6, 1976.



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THE NICKNAME STUCK: Midshipman Kilton D. Kingsman, 20, acquired the nickname "Killer" from Susan Ford last week during her reign over the 23rd International Azalea Festival in Nor-

folk, Va. Kingsman, an Atlanta native, plans to be a doctor and wants to shake the nickname before then. The midshipman was assigned to escort the President's daughter during the festival.



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Kilton D. Kingsman and Susan Ford.

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NORFOLK (AP) -- SUSAN FORD, QUEEN OF THE 23RD AZALEA FESTIVAL, SAID TODAY HER FATHER IS DEEPLY WORRIED ABOUT THE OUTCOME OF THE TEXAS PRIMARY ON SATURDAY.

"TEXAS IS A LITTLE STINKY," SHE TOLD REPORTERS.

SHE SAID SHE HOPES HER FATHER WILL BE ABLE TO RETURN FROM TEXAS IN TIME SATURDAY TO CROWN HER QUEEN OF THE FESTIVAL, WHICH HONORS THE NINE COUNTRIES.

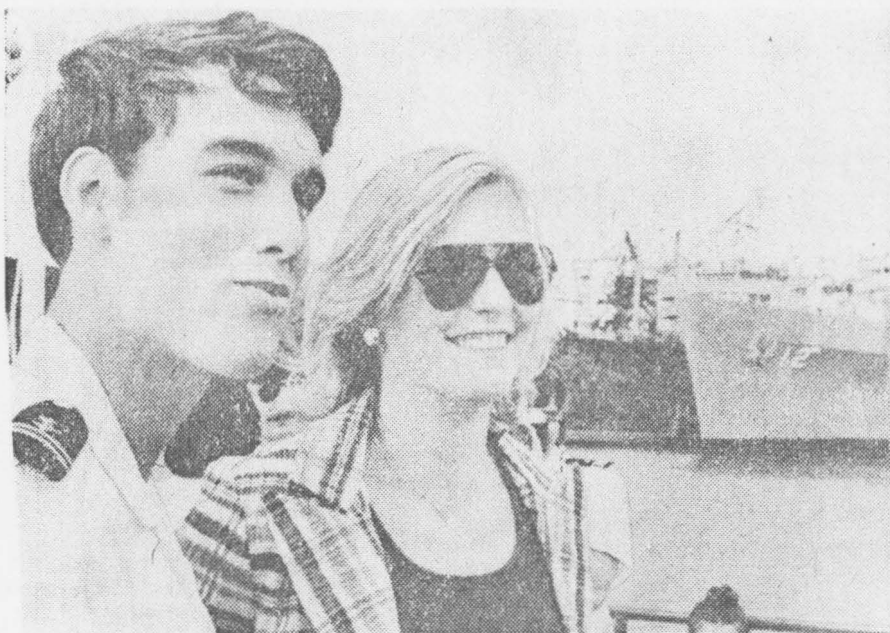
MISS FORD SAID HER FATHER HAS HAD HIS SHARE OF LOSSES AND COULD USE SOME MORE VICTORIES IN HIS BID FOR THE REPUBLICAN NOMINATION.

"WE'RE DOING WELL," SHE SAID. "WE'VE HAD OUR LOSSES IN THE PAST WE'VE HAD SOME MORE WINE."

MISS FORD SAID ALTHOUGH SHE ENJOYS CAMPAIGNING FOR HER FATHER SHE HAS NO POLITICAL ASPIRATIONS HERSELF AND WANTS TO PURSUE A CAREER IN PHOTOGRAPHY.

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for a national magazine told his mother-in-law that **Jackson Tate** was very ill and flew her to Florida to see the retired admiral. The reporter also said Tate had purchased the flight tickets, reported Pouy.

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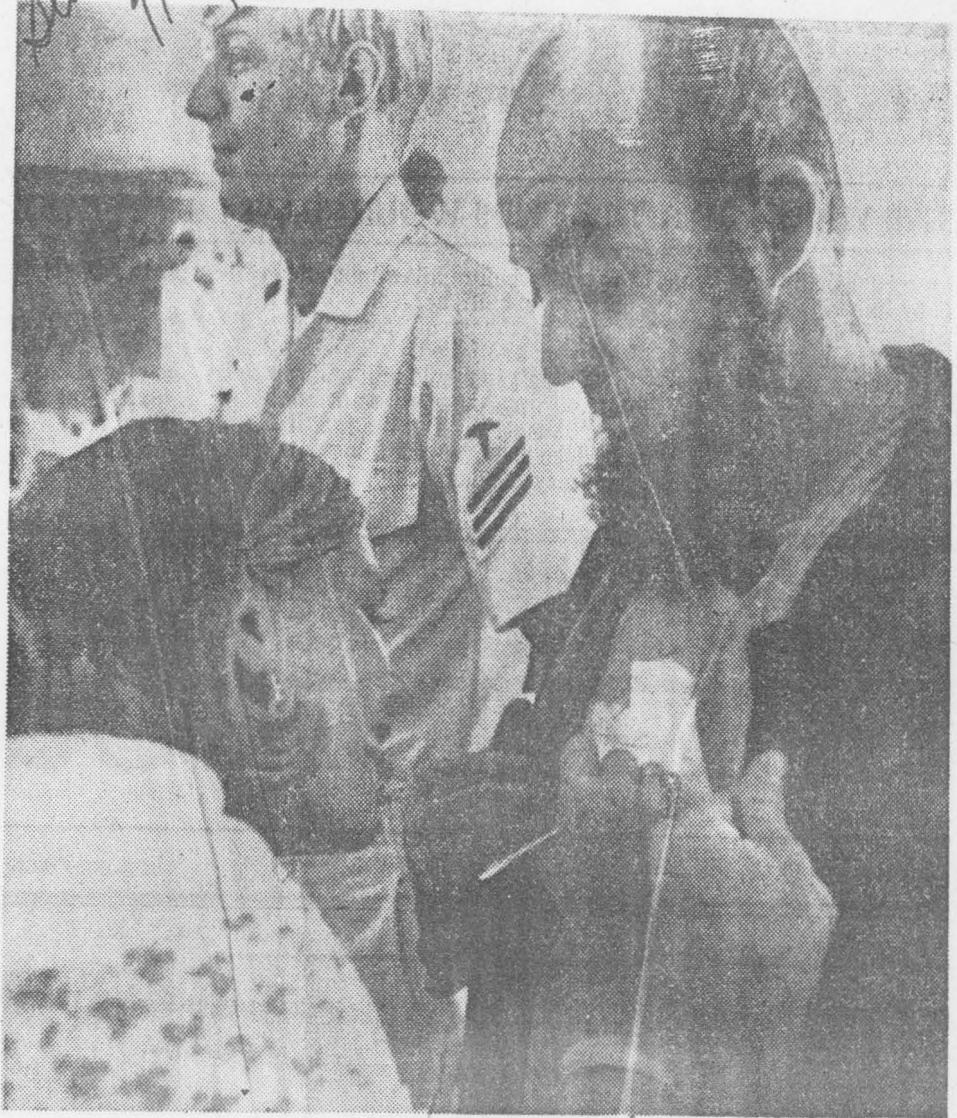
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Never Had It So Good, Celebs Agree

—"Last night I spent three hours in a saloon," said **Frank Sinatra**, "and I know the bartender undercharged me, so there is no question, things are getting better." But on the other hand, said Sinatra, tempering his pollyannaism, "when I woke up this morning, I realized I owned the saloon, so they might be getting worse, too." In sum, the vote for meliorism was a narrow one in a tally taken by the Yale Daily News magazine. More than half of the dozen famous Americans polled agreed that "things are



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—Associated Press

SIGN RIGHT THERE — Susan Ford, queen of the 23rd International Azalea Festival, takes the time to sign the body cast of Jim Menditto while visiting the Portsmouth Naval Hospital in Portsmouth, Va., yesterday.

File

SUSAN IS QUEEN IN NORFOLK



—Associated Press

Susan Ford, daughter of President and Mrs. Ford, strolls through Norfolk's Botanical Gardens yesterday looking dreamily occupied, the way a pretty blonde queen of the 23rd Annual Azalea Festival should when contemplating the pomp which marks the opening of the flowery pageant.

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FOUR-STAR QUEEN



—United Press International

Susan Ford, threatened by a downpour while reigning over opening ceremonies of the 23rd Annual Azalea Festival in Norfolk yesterday, dons the highest ranking jacket in town — property of four-star Adm. Isaac Kidd. The commander-in-chief of NATO was one of many political, social and military personalities on hand for the welcome. Susan is the week-long

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Susan Ford and Gilbert Meem, Jr.: A newsome quosome.



Susan and Rep. Barry Goldwater, Jr. enjoy the piper and drummer at Shirley and Rep. Rob Wilson's annual St. Patrick's Day Party.



Buffy Cafritz makes a dramatic entrance in Pauline Trigere's evening jumpsuit in ribbed silk organza.

PHOTOS BY JOHN WHITMAN



everything," said Hackman, "—working garbage detail, raring roofs." The dirty work also found Hackman and Rooney cleaning clothes in the prison laundry.

Remember **Betty Ford's** TV comments on her teen-age daughter and premarital sex? Asked last year how she would feel if **Susan Ford** confided that she was having an affair, the First Lady replied: "Well, I wouldn't be surprised. I think she's a perfectly normal human



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Happy Says She's Even Happier Now

—"I have never felt better physically and I am happier now than I have ever been," said Margaret (Happy) Rockefeller, 49. "I am undertaking projects with increased enthusiasm and I find them less of an effort," she said in an interview in Reader's Digest. It has been a year and a half since her two operations for breast cancer. Within five months of her surgery, she said, she was able to plunge into Washington life "with a self-confidence I never before possessed." She credits her husband, Vice President Rockefeller, and her family for "my healthy outlook." Her husband, she said, "has made me feel that I am no different from before. He is just grateful that I am alive—and still me."

—Queen Susan Ford opened the 23rd International Azalea Festival in Norfolk, Va. She then returned to the White House and two more days of classes in Mt. Vernon



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Norfolk, Portsmouth, Virginia Beach.



Miss Ford is touched by the wind that preceded the showers. More p

Tidewater Welcomes Qu

By ETHEL A. STEADMAN

Virginian-Pilot Staff Writer

NORFOLK—Susan Ford and the rain arrived in Tidewater Sunday. Both were welcomed by a parched community primed to celebrate the week-long international Azalea Festival with the President's daughter as queen.

ing for two days of classes at Mount Vernon College, where she is a freshman. She will be back Wednesday for the festival's final five days.

The President's daughter, carefully watched by a large entourage of Secret Service agents and Norfolk plainclothes policemen, appeared to enjoy the first day of her reign.



Susan Ford reigns over Azalea Festival

Queen Azalea XXIII Susan Ford has been given the red carpet treatment this week as she reigns over the 23rd annual Aza-



Queen Susan's pie on target

By PAT FRANKLIN

NORFOLK — Susan Ford helped Azalea Festival Chairman Mike McCabe celebrate his wedding anniversary late Wednesday night by presenting him with a whipped cream pie—in the face.

Protesting that "it wasn't my idea,"

McCabe with the pie she had prepared herself, hidden under a cardboard box. She apologized for not being able to buy him a present sooner (his anniversary was actually Tuesday), then whipped out the pie and splashed it in his face.

McCabe reportedly then spent the next few minutes chasing her around the ho-

ways get that question. I'm not having an affair. But I agree with her on what she said."

She also talked about her father, saying he had aged considerably since assuming the office of the presidency. "The biggest thing that contributed to that was the Margaret incident," she





Virginian-Pilot Photo by Jim Jennings

Miss Ford, wearing rain gear borrowed from Adm. Isaac Kidd, applauds the Royal Marine Band. Adm. Kidd is NATO's supreme allied commander, Atlantic.

Azalea Festival

Today

10 a.m.—Golf tournament, Lake Wright Motel golf course. Free admission. Participants contact Donnie Fentress, 422-5111.

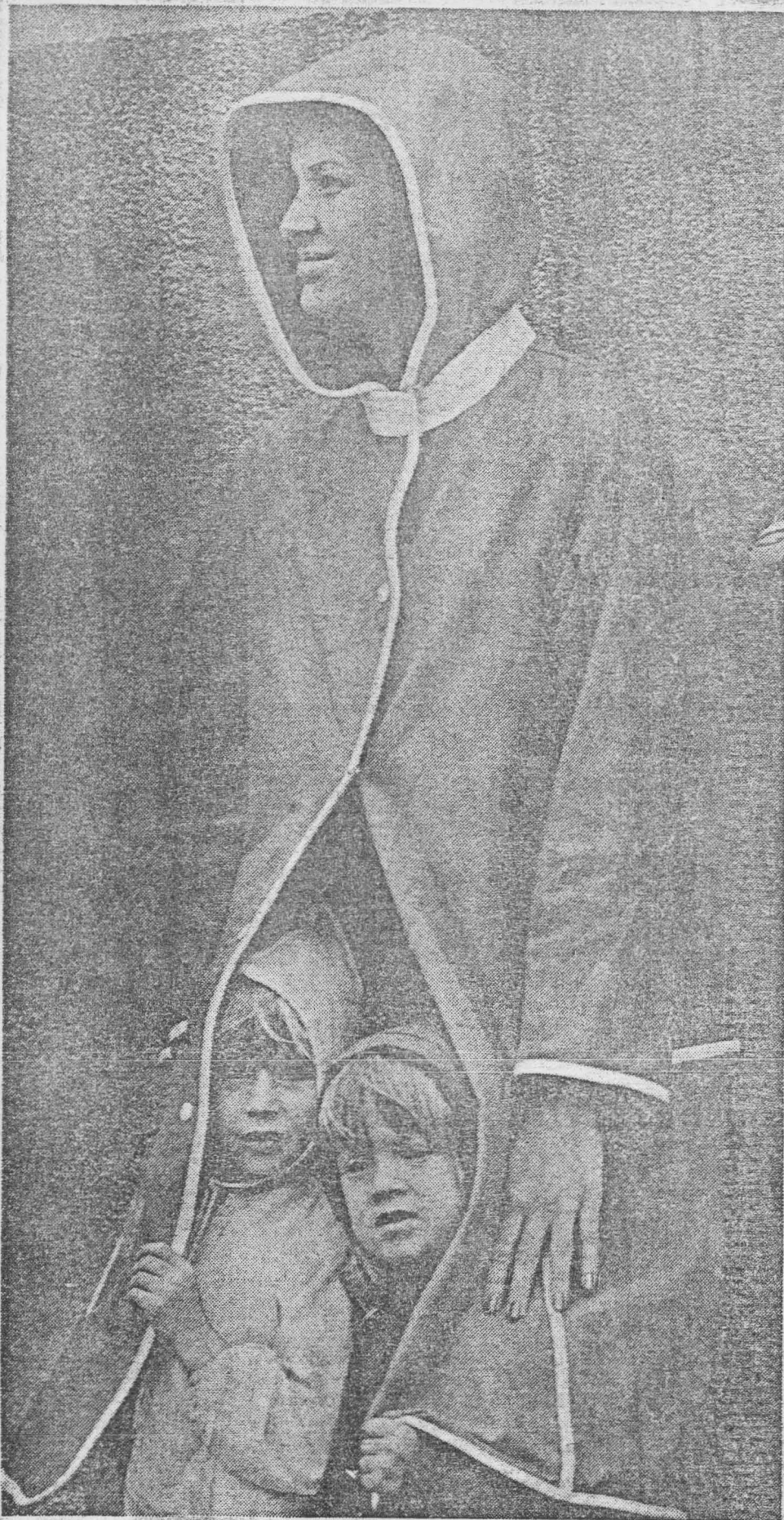
8:30 p.m.—Norfolk Symphony Concert, Lili Kraus guest pianist, Chrysler Hall. Paid admission.

(Susan Ford, Queen Azalea XXIII, is in Washington until Wednesday.)



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Queen Azalea XXIII promenades for her royal court.



Virginian-Pilot Photo by Mori Fryman

... for these admirers, Mrs. Melinda Perkins and children, Christopher and Jennifer, of Virginia Beach ...

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