SUSAN ELIZABETH FORD

The youngest of the Ford offspring and the only daughter, 18-year-old Susan Ford is a freshman at Mount Vernon College in Washington, D.C. She is a graduate of The Holton Arms School in Bethesda, Md.

She was born at Columbia Womens Hospital in Washington, D.C. on July 6, 1957. She attended the Episcopal Kindergarten of Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill, the church in Alexandria, Va., to which the Fords belong. First through sixth grades were spent at Douglas MacArthur Elementary School, and seventh and eighth grades at Howard Middle School. (Both schools are in Alexandria.) She started as a freshman at Holten Arms.

Susan is a sports enthusiast and enjoys skiing, water skiing, swimming, biking, horseback riding and tennis. Among other hobbies are cooking, photography, and needlepoint. She also enjoys caring for a growing family of plants, which now number 30 and fill a large corner of the Solarium, the Ford's family room in the White House.

Susan started modern dance classes when she was eight and continued through the sixth grade. She has since taken classes in both modern dance and ballet.

The 5'8" blonde is fond of animals and has in her charge a Siamese cat named Shan and a golden retriever named Liberty Hume. (The dog was a gift to the President from Susan and White House Photographer David Hume Kennerly.) Susan's previous pets have included various rabbits, dogs, a fish, snakes and gerbils.

Susan worked the summer of 1973 selling guide books for the White House Historical Association and has also worked as a babysitter and answering phones for a medical telethon. She took two courses during the summer of 1974. Earlier summers have been spent at Camp Arbutus near Traverse City, Michigan, and Camp Robin Hood in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

At Holton Arms, Susan was a member of the Photography Club and took a photography class. As a freshman, she was one of six students chosen as an honor tour guide and continued giving tours to parents and prospective students while she was at Holton Arms. She was elected to the yearbook staff as a senior and worked in the advertising, management, and business end of the book.

Susan is considering a career in photo-journalism.

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