

BICENTENNIAL INAUGURAL - OPENING CEREMONIES

FINAL DRAFT: January 18, 1989 - 12:01 AM

PRE-PROGRAM ENTERTAINMENT:

03:30:00 NAVY BAND OPENING FANFARE 00:15

03:30:15 OFFSTAGE ANNOUNCER: 00:30

Welcome!... To the Opening Celebration of the
American Bicentennial Presidential Inaugural.

This is the two hundredth anniversary year of
the American Presidency. During the next four
days, we will witness an unprecedented variety
of events, as we welcome George Herbert Walker
Bush and James Danforth Quayle into office...

and to start things off right, we bring you the
world's finest... the UNITED STATES NAVY BAND,
under the direction of Commander Allen Beck!...

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03:30:45 NAVY BAND PERFORMS 06:45

03:37:30 OFFSTAGE ANNOUNCER 00:25

AMERICA SINGS is a national music festival to be held on April twenty-ninth this year. On that day, fifteen thousand children from all fifty states will be in Washington to sing and dance to help raise money for homeless children. Representing them today is a group of children from local Maryland and Virginia schools. Ladies and Gentlemen... AMERICA SINGS!...

03:37:55 AMERICA SINGS CHOIR PERFORMS. 15:20

"America Sings"
"Love Will Be Our Home"
"Celebration"
"America"
THE JETS SET UP DURNING NUMBER.

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03:53:15 OFFSTAGE ANNOUNCER:

1:00

AMERICA SINGS, ladies and gentlemen... Aren't they a wonderful group? It's certainly fitting that these children, who represent our nation's future should lead of today's celebration. And remember, they are just a few of the fifteen thousand kids from every state in the union that will be participating in the AMERICA SINGS festival here in Washington on April twenty-ninth, to help raise money for homeless children. We hope you'll support their effort.

It's a long way from Polynesian music to pop stardom... The Jets started as a three-piece band, singing at an aunt's wedding. For years, they entertained as a Polynesian group,

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OFFSTAGE ANNOUNCER (cont):

but Polynesian gave way to Pop and, ultimately,

a recording contract. The rest, as they say,

is history... Let's bring them on with a big

welcome... THE JETS!...

03:54:15 THE JETS PERFORM

15:00

"Crush On You"

"Rocket 2 U"

" "

04:09:15 OFFSTAGE ANNOUNCER:

00:30

Our next performers are part of a troupe that

has become an international institution over

the past two decades. UP WITH PEOPLE was

founded in the mid-1960's to provide a focus

for the idealism and energy so evident then in

student movements around the world. Since

then, they have performed at the Vatican, and

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major world capitals such as Beijing, Moscow

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and right here in Washington, D.C. Their
message is truly one of world peace and
optimism. Let's hear it for UP WITH PEOPLE!...

04:09:45 UP WITH PEOPLE PERFORM 10:05

04:19:50 OFFSTAGE ANNOUNCER: 00:10

Once again... with a march fitting this
auspicious occasion... THE UNITED STATES NAVY
BAND, under the baton of Commander Allen
Beck!...

04:20:00 NAVY BAND PERFORMS 09:00

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04:29:00 NAVY BAND CONCLUDES.

01:00

HERALD TRUMPETERS TAKE POSITION ON STEPS

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04:30:35 WILLARD SCOTT:

00:45

Thank you... You're very generous... (pause)

Wow!!... That's a peck of people out there!...

Are we in for a great time!...

I'm very proud to be part of the Inaugural Festivities. We've got all kinds of talent and surprises for you. Oh, did you all get your lights that we're going to use tonight toward the end of the show?... Good, good... Please save them for later in the show when, at a special moment, we'll be lighting them together as we pay tribute to our country, and to our President-elect, George Bush, and Vice President-elect, Dan Quayle.

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WILLARD SCOTT (cont):

First-off, let's get things going,
officially... Will everyone please stand for
the presentation of the Colors...

AUDIENCE, CAST, CREW & DIGNITARIES STAND.

04:31:20 WILLARD SCOTT:

05:00

The Service Colors of the Armed Forces of the
United States...

SERVICE COLORS ENTER

"Coast Guard Semper Paratus"

"U.S. Air Force Song"

"U.S. Navy Song"

"U.S. Marine Corps Song"

"U.S. Army Song"

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WILLARD SCOTT:

... The Colors of the Fifty-seven States and
Territories of the U.S. ...

STATE & TERRITORIAL COLORS ENTER

WILLARD SCOTT:

... The National Colors of the United States of
America!...

NATIONAL COLORS ENTER

GOLDEN KNIGHTS DROP WARNING: T-MINUS 5:30

04:36:20 WILLARD SCOTT: (after Honor Guard has pivoted) 00:20

All of us who enjoy the inaugural sometimes
fail to realize the hard work and dedication of
the talented people who help make it happen.
Please welcome with me, the people who head-up
that great team of individuals... the Co-
Chairmen of the American Bicentennial
Presidential Inaugural and their spouses...

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04:36:40 WILLARD SCOTT (cont): 00:40

Mr. Bobby Holt and his wife, Joanie...

MR. & MRS. HOLT ENTER

WILLARD SCOTT (cont):

...Mrs. Penne Percy Korth and her husband,

Fritz-Alan...

MRS. & MR. KORTH ENTER

WILLARD SCOTT (cont):

And, the Executive Director of the Presidential

Inaugural Committee, the Honorable Stephen M.

Studdert and his wife, Bonnie...

MR. & MRS. STUDDERT ENTER

04:37:20 WILLARD SCOTT: 00:10

Next, we'd like to present to you the members

of Vice President-elect Dan Quayle's immediate

family...

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04:37:30 WILLARD SCOTT (cont): 00:20

Tucker Danforth Quayle...

TUCKER QUAYLE ENTERS

WILLARD SCOTT:

... Benjamin Eugene Quayle...

BENJAMIN QUAYLE ENTERS

WILLARD SCOTT:

... Mary Corinne Quayle...

MARY QUAYLE ENTERS

GOLDEN KNIGHTS DROP WARNING: T-MINUS 4:00

04:37:50 WILLARD SCOTT: 00:05

And, the members of President-elect George
Bush's immediate family...

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04:37:55 WILLARD SCOTT (cont): 00:15

... Mr. George W. Bush, his wife, Laura, and
children, Barbara and Jenna...

GEORGE W. BUSH FAMILY ENTERS

04:38:10 WILLARD SCOTT 00:15

... Mr. John E. Bush, his wife, Columba, and
children, George P., Noelle and Jeb, Jr. ...

JOHN E. BUSH FAMILY ENTERS

04:38:25 WILLARD SCOTT: 00:15

... Mr. Neil Bush, his wife, Sharon, and
children, Lauren and Pierce...

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NEIL BUSH FAMILY ENTERS

04:38:40 WILLARD SCOTT: 00:15

... Mr. Marvin Bush, his wife, Margaret, and
daughter, Marshall...

MARVIN BUSH FAMILY ENTERS

04:38:55 WILLARD SCOTT: 00:15

... Mrs. Dorothy Bush LeBlond, her husband,
Billy, and children, Sam and Ellie...

LEBLOND FAMILY ENTERS

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04:39:10 WILLARD SCOTT:

00:05

And now, if you would... Please direct your
attention toward the statue of President
Lincoln... (pause)

04:39:15 HERALD TRUMPET: "Ruffles & Flourishes" 02:30

GOLDEN KNIGHTS DROP WARNING: T-MINUS 2:30

OFFSTAGE ANNOUNCER

Ladies and Gentlemen... the President-elect of
the United States and Mrs. Bush... and, the
Vice President-elect of the United States and
Mrs. Quayle.

HERALD TRUMPET: Fanfare - "Presidential March"

DRUM ROLL FILL AS NECESSARY

PRES.-ELECT & MRS. BUSH ENTER

VICE PRES.-ELECT & MRS. QUAYLE ENTER

COUPLES PROCEED DOWN TWO SETS OF STAIRS BETWEEN HERALD TRUMPETERS AND
FLAG CORPS TO MAIN DAIS. THEY PAUSE, WAVE AND PROCEED TO SEATS IN
PRESIDENTIAL REVIEWING BOX.

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04:41:45 ARMY GOLDEN KNIGHTS PARACHUTE TEAM PERFORMS.

02:00

OFFSTAGE ANNOUNCER: (FILL TO TIME)

(1) The skies overhead serve as the backdrop for the next feature on our program. Since 1959, the Army Golden Knights parachute team (MUSIC UNDER) has been thrilling audiences around the world with their feats of aerial grace and daring. The ARMY GOLDEN KNIGHTS!...

(2) Jumpers: SFC Earl Ecbold

S/Sgt. David Haberkorn

Sgt. Kenneth Kassens

Sgt. John Luke

(3) Ground Control Team:

Sgt. Kathleen Sherritt

Sgt. Dan Molesky (Mole-es'-kee)

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OFFSTAGE ANNOUNCER (cont.): (FILL TO TIME)

(4) The famed U.S. Army Parachute team, the Golden Knights is recognized as the finest precision freefall parachute group in the world.

(5) Established three decades ago at the home of the Airborne -- Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, the unit has performed in every state and some three dozen foreign countries -- a vivid, visual demonstration of skill, training and devotion-to-duty.

(6) What's it like to be a jumper? Well, once he leaves the aircraft, the jumper has a feelinig of flying, rather than falling, though he is dropping at rates up to a hundred miles an hour.

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(7) He uses his arms and legs as wings, and

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can speed up, slow down, turn right or left or even turn somersaults.

(8) Golden Knights are not skydivers but precision freefall parachutists. They are members of a military team, with a military mission -- part of Special Operations troops who train to infiltrate enemy lines by air, without being detected by radar.

(9) The team also competes in national and international competitions and have won more titles than any other parachute team in the world... military or civilian.

04:43:45 TEAM TOUCHES GROUND IN LANDING ZONE STAGE RIGHT.
NAVY BAND PLAYS NATIONAL ANTHEM.

01:20

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04:45:05 NAVAL FLY-BY

01:00

OFFSTAGE ANNOUNCER: (IF USED AS LEAD)

If you look to the sky in the distance off to your left, you'll soon see another aerial tribute to our President-elect and Vice President-elect. Here they come: twenty-one U.S. Naval aircraft: six F-14 Tomcats, five F-18 Hornets, five A-6 Intruders and five S-3 Vikings, led by Commander Charles Milsted.

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OFFSTAGE ANNOUNCER: (IF USED AS TAG)

That thundering aerial fly-by salute we just saw, heard and felt was performed by United States Naval pilots from carrier Airwing One, attached to the U.S.S. America. Comprising the formation were the pride of the U.S. Navy... six F-14 Tomcats, five F-18 Hornets, five A-6 Intruders and five S-3 Vikings, led by Commander Charles Milsted... Let's give them a big round of applause.

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04:46:05 MILITARY COLOR GUARD RETIRES COLORS 03:50

MUSIC: NAVAL BAND ACCOMPANIMENT

04:49:55 WILLARD SCOTT RETURNS TO DAIS

WILLARD SCOTT:

00:45

Now that we've rattled your eardrums, let's
sooth them for awhile with some great musical
entertainment. For you, President-elect Bush
and Vice President-elect Quayle... and for
you, folks, our first group hails from the
President-elect's Lone Star State of Texas...
by way of Nashville. They have performed at
the White House and throught the world. Their
first number one hit, "Broken Lady" earned them
a Grammy in 1976 and they've been going strong
ever since. Please welcome Larry, Steve and
Rudy... LARRY GATLIN AND THE GATLIN

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BROTHERS! . . .

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05:04:40 WILLARD SCOTT:

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I have to say, those are three of my most favorite songs -- not just patriotic songs -- and the way that SANDI sings them... in this setting... in the presence of these great men and women... on this historical day... brings a thrill like none I've ever experienced. Are you proud to be Americans?... If you are, let me hear it... (pause for cheers) I knew you were, and so am I... And so is this next group of performers.

When The Beach Boys first hung ten in the Sixties, a new sound -- a new craze -- was born. Now, in the Eighties, they are as much a part of Americana as Rock and Roll itself...

And, they continue to break new ground. Their most recent song, "Kokomo," from the movie

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WILLARD SCOTT (cont):

COCKTAIL, was a runaway summer smash. Grab
your surfboards... THE BEACH BOYS!!

05:05:40 BEACH BOYS PERFORM 11:00
"Kokomo"
"Help Me Ronda"
"Barbra Ann"
BEACH BOYS EXIT STAGE LEFT

05:16:40 WILLARD SCOTT: 00:30

UP WITH PEOPLE is a unique international or-
ganization which, for more than twenty years
has been building peace through understanding
among people of all nations. They were founded
by a gentleman named J. Blanton Belk, who
explains their purpose by saying that "Peace is
not an abstract concept. It's people becoming
friends. Friendships are the fabric that hold
peace together in the world." Since their
start, UP WITH PEOPLE performers

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WILLARD SCOTT (cont):

have made friends in more than 3100 cities in
forty-eight countries, with their sparkling
music and youthful idealism. Please welcome
them with me... UP WITH PEOPLE!...

05:17:10 UP WITH PEOPLE PERFORM.

05:30

CONCLUSION, GROUP CROSSES TO UPSTAGE POSITION.

05:22:40 WILLARD SCOTT

00:30

An appreciation for country music runs deep in
the American spirit and Lee Greenwood has
distilled that spirit into his music better
than anyone. He's won just about every major
country music award around, including a Grammy,
and has three gold albums to his credit. Here
he is... Lee Greenwood!...

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05:23:10 LEE GREENWOOD ENTERS TOP OF STAIRS 03:15

PERFORMS "God Bless the USA"
STAGE SOUND STRIKE
TORCH TEAM SETS TORCH

GREENWOOD EXITS STAGE LEFT

05:26:25 OFFSTAGE ANNOUNCER: 00:10
Ladies and gentlemen... the President-elect of
the United States...

05:26:35 PRESIDENT-ELECT BUSH TAKES PODIUM AND DELIVERS 10:00
REMARKS. (COPY TO BE PROVIDED BY VICE PRESIDENT'S
STAFF)

05:36:35 PRESIDENT-ELECT BUSH CONCLUDES PREPARED REMARKS. 00:30

PRESIDENT-ELECT BUSH:

Thank you very much. You, who have come here
today to share this occasion with us... and
millions like you... are the thousand and
thousand points of light that will make
America's future shine brightly. In just a

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moment (GESTURES TO UNLIT TORCH ON RIGHT) I'm

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PRESIDENT-ELECT BUSH (cont.):

going to light a torch to symbolize the
brightness of that future and I'd like to ask
you to get your own lights ready... and join
Barbara and me (GESTURES FOR THEM TO JOIN HIM)
and Marilyn and Dan as ... together ... we
symbolize the brightness that we can bring to
an unfinished world.

05:37:05 CANDLE LIGHTING TAKES PLACE: A MILITARY AID BRINGS 00:35
WAND TO PRESIDENT WHO LIGHTS TORCH. UP WITH PEOPLE
GROUP SINGS. SEGUE TO MUSIC BY NAVY BAND. SEGUE TO
FIREWORKS CUE, STARTING WITH AN UMBRELLA OF SMALL
LIGHTS UP AND OVER TO CONTINUE THE SYMBOLISM OF THE
CAMLIGHTS.

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05:37:40 FIREWORKS DURATION

16:00

THE PRESIDENT-ELECT AND MRS. BUSH PROCEED TO MOTORCADE
THE VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT AND MRS QUAYLE PROCEED TO
HOLDING ROOM
STAGE LIGHTS OFF AFTER BUSH/QUAYLE PARTY EXITS

05:53:40 THE FIREWORKS END, CONCLUDING THE 1989 OPENING
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