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C ERALD R. FORD, thirty-eighth President of the United States, was born and raised in Omaha, Nebraska. He grew up learning the values of discipline, education, and hard work. During his high school years, he starred on his school's football team and also won a scholarship to the University of Michigan. In 1934, his determined spirit gained for him the Most Valuable Player Award of the Michigan Wolverines.

At Yale Law School Ford served as assistant varsity football coach at the same time he maintained high academic standards and graduated, in 1941, in the top third of his class.

Ford served 47 months in the U.S. Navy during World War II, earning ten battle stars. After the war, he returned to his private law practice and in 1948 was elected U.S. Representative for Michigan's Fifth Congressional District. He served in Congress for 25 years, a record of success attributed to his unending service to the needs of his constituents.

Thoroughly public-spirited, Ford won the American Political Science Association's 1961 Distinguished Congressional Service Award, which called him a "Congressman's Congressman." In 1963 he became the chairman of the House Republican Conference. Two years later he was elected House Minority Leader.

Appointed as Vice-President in October 1973, Ford was confirmed by an overwhelming majority in both the House and the Senate. On August 9, 1974, under "the most extraordinary circumstances ever before experienced by Americans," he assumed the Presidency. Calm in the midst of confusion and conflicting demands, Ford was devoted to the restoration of understanding, confidence, and pride on the part of the people in the functions of the federal government.

In 1977 Ford was named a Distinguished Fellow by the American Enterprise Institute. Since leaving the presidency, he has lectured and met with students and faculty at 32 colleges and universities under the auspices of the institute. A man dedicated to education and service, a man who has received 23 honorary doctor of laws degrees from institutions of higher learning, Gerald Ford continues to serve both his own ideals and those of his country.

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RSVP: Friday, November 2

Office of the Vice-President for Public Services

111 Susan Campbell Hall University of Oregon Eugene, Oregon 97403

Please include your check payable to the University of Oregon Foundation The University of Oregon cordially invites you to attend a dinner honoring

## Gerald R. Ford

thirty-eighth president
of the United States
on Wednesday, November fourteenth
at eight o'clock in the evening

Columbia Room Valley River Inn on Valley River Way Eugene, Oregon

Social Hour at 7:00

\$15.00 per person

#### Dinner Program

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#### Welcome

Curtis R. Simic Vice-President for Public Services University of Oregon

#### Entertainment

University of Oregon School of Music Students and Faculty

#### Remarks

Victor G. Atiyeh Governor State of Oregon

#### Presentation

William Boyd President University of Oregon

#### Comments

Gerald R. Ford Thirty-eighth President of the United States

Pioneer Awards Presentation Vice-President Simic

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# Sample Invitation



#### LUNCHEON WITH GERALD R. FORD

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