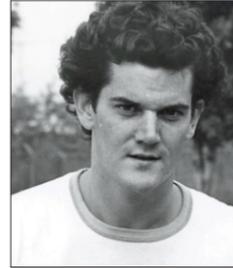
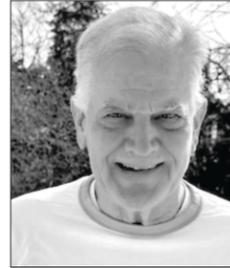


## LETTER FROM THE PUBLISHER



Jim Gammill  
1977



Jim Gammill  
2026

I'll confess. In 1977 I rolled my eyes when I heard stories of the Johnson White House...good thing I've matured a bit since then.

The Carter-Mondale years hold special memories for us. While we went many different ways afterwards, we've kept the friendships, and we've stayed in touch.

And now, with the blessing of The Carter Center, we are excited to launch a new effort—*The Carter-Mondale Connection*—dedicated to connecting the folks who served, supported, and campaigned with Jimmy Carter during the years 1972 through 1981.

Mark Cohen and Sheila Fyfe have already stepped up to lead a quarterly newsletter, and their energy and experience are exactly what this needs. Mark and Sheila have been with me from the start, and it's been great working with them.

We are also hosting [www.cartermondaleconnection.com](http://www.cartermondaleconnection.com) as a growing archive for all things related to the Carter-Mondale era. For instance, you will find all the issues of the *The Carter-Mondale Letter* that Jay Beck and Dianne Bryant and other Carter Center staffers worked so hard over 20-plus years to publish.

We can't wait to see our connections grow. We are here for everyone, so reach out to family and friends (and even former adversaries—hey, it was a long time ago), and encourage them to join us too.

Thanks for your interest and support!

Jim Gammill  
Publisher

## LETTER FROM THE CO-EDITORS



Mark Cohen  
Editor



Sheila Fyfe  
Editor

We loved reading every issue of the *The Carter-Mondale Letter* from The Carter Center, and were sad to learn last October's issue would be the last.

So it was welcome news when one of our friends at The Carter Center told us that a group of campaign and Administration veterans, led by Jim Gammill, were working to keep it going. And would we be interested in joining the effort? We couldn't say no.

We've both enjoyed rewarding careers in public relations, communications, and marketing, so writing and editing a newsletter is right in our wheelhouse.

We plan to report and write much of the copy ourselves, treating this as a journalistic enterprise to ensure we publish consistently interesting copy while maintaining a dependable publication schedule.

We welcome your suggestions for a future article (whether you're volunteering to write it or not), along with your comments and questions. You can reach us at [connect@cartermondaleconnection.com](mailto:connect@cartermondaleconnection.com).

In planning the launch of the first issue of *The Carter-Mondale Connection* newsletter and its website, we've benefited from the advice, counsel, and memories of a host of campaign and Administration veterans. We thank Lori Baux, Jay Beck, Chris Brown, Paul Costello, Stu Eizenstat, Les Francis, Jim Free, Rex Granum, Jay Hakes, David Hales, Alicia Smith, and Phil Wise. Curt Kohlhaas and Jenny White at The Carter Center have provided great guidance and insights. And two non-campaign, non-Administration individuals—John Leary of the Untold Stories Project and Tom Feran, who is now retired after a distinguished career at *The Plain Dealer* (Cleveland)—have generously lent their knowledge, talent, and experience to our start-up efforts.

Thanks for your interest and support. We look forward to hearing from you and bringing you Issue No. 2 this summer.

Mark Cohen  
Sheila Fyfe