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**Slide Set 26: Bush and the Elder Bill Clinton**

**George H.W Bush(Bush the Elder):**

* After serving two terms as Reagans VP, Bush was elected president in 1988. He invades Panama and later drove Saddam Hussien out of Kuwait during the First Persian Gulf War. Raising taxes after promising he wouldn’t cost him during the next election.

**Manuel Noriega:**

* The dictator of Panama who took over for Torrijos after his death in 1981. He previously worked with US CIA. Slides 7-10

**Suddam Hussein:**

* Iraqi dictator who launched an invasion of Kuwait in Aug 1990 thinking the US would turn a blind eye after becoming a same ally during the previous Iran-Iraq War but didn’t realize that Kuwait contributed to 20% of US oil.

**Bill Clinton:**

* Elected president in 1992 defeating Bush. Despite a booming economy and a very effective presidency one that included running government surpluses, the Lewinski sex scandal led to his impeachment by the House, though he was not convicted by the Senate; eventually became notorious for his policy of triangulation, that is positioning himself somewhere between conservative republicans and liberal democrats.

**“Hilarycare”:**

* Clinton era program for national health care, torpedoed by the famous “Harry and Lousie” TV ad campaign. It owes its name to his wife hilary Clinton who was supposably in charge of it.

**Newt Gingrich:**

* Georiga congressman who masterminded the republican revolution of 1994 and then became highly controversial Speaker of the House. His budgetary disputes and President Clinton led to two shutdowns of most of the federal government.

**Bush and the War on Terror**

**George W. Bush(Bush the Younger):**

* Showed decisive leadership after the 9/11 attacks, also launched the invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq, declared war on terror but also had to experience the combat the Great Recession.

**“War on Terror”:**

* After the fall of the Taliban where Bush accused Iraq, Iran and North Korea of harboring terrorists and developing weapons of Mass Destruction. Called them the axis of evil without any evidence connecting them to 9/11. Campaign focused on targeting Al-Qaeda and its leader osama bin laden.

**Neoconservatives:**

* Right wing advocates of a very interventionist foreign policy, gained great influence during the administration of Bush the Younger after the 9/11 terrorist campaign.

**Great Recession:**

* Frightening economic downturn In full swing by 2008 caused by nationwide collapse of housing prices, during second term of Bush the Younger.