



## GOP Preps For Dallas Convention

By Karen Feld

Republicans are preparing for the Dallas National Convention August 20-23. On the agenda is a tour of Southfork Ranch, home of the Ewing family of "Dallas" TV fame, the singing of **Luciano Pavarotti**, special effects by Texas Rangers owner **Eddie Chiles**, just to mention a few. And then there's the Mesquite Championship Rodeo and Barbeque . . . Big contributors will also come in for special benefits. A local convention committee has created a "Gold Club" for donors willing to pay \$20,000 for a special gold passport good for just about everything, including access to a special hospitality suite, exclusive parties and sessions with the President and other top GOPs . . . The Republican National Committee has worked out a trade-off of special convention marketing rights with American Airlines, CompuCorp and Southwestern Bell in exchange for reduced rates on their services . . . When President **Reagan** was asked his opinion of the Democrats' primary battles, *Elephant's Ear* hears he quipped: "If God wanted a Democratic President, He would have sent them a candidate" . . . A national dish in the works? Rep. **Manuel Lujan** of New Mexico has introduced House Joint Resolution 465 to make chili the official food of the United States.

### Reagan Campaign Team Re-forming

President Reagan's 1980 campaign team is reuniting to manage this year's run. This includes **Stuart Spencer**, who's been a key strategist for Reagan since he first ran for governor of California in 1966; **Kenneth Khachigian**, a former Reagan speech writer and political consultant who will head the campaign's issues and research staff; **Ed Rollins**, who will fill the role of day-to-day campaign director, and **Drew Lewis**, who now heads Warner-Amex, will direct special projects and troubleshoot. Political consultants **Charles Black** and **Roger Stone**, former White House political director **Lyn Nofziger**, press secretary **Jim Lake** and deputy campaign manager **Lee Atwater** are all on board . . . Former White House Press Secretary **Ron Nessen** has been named Vice President of News for the Mutual Broadcasting System, the nation's largest commercial radio network with 853 affiliated stations. He was an NBC News Correspondent before joining **Gerald Ford's** White House staff in 1974. Incidentally, Ron has just finished a second novel entitled *The Hour*. It's a behind the scenes look at the TV news business.

### GOP Congressional Committee Reunion

A reunion of "oldtimers" who served on the National

Republican Congressional Committee staff in the 1950's, '60s and '70s will be held at the Capitol Hill Club Saturday, June 16, starting at 6 p.m. For further information, out-of-towners can call **Phyllis McGovern** on 800-424-9876. Former NRCC staffers residing in the Washington, D.C. area can find out more by calling either Phyllis on 457-4836 or **Ed Terrill** on 225-2165 . . . Former New York Sen. **Jacob K. Javits** was this year's recipient of the Distinguished Service Award of the Association of Former Members of Congress. Javits was honored at the Association's Annual Spring Meeting in Washington May 7-8 for outstanding service in the House for eight years and in the Senate for 24 years. Founded in 1971, the Association is made up of some 600 former members of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives . . . Incidentally, Javits was named honorary chairman of a new bipartisan forum to improve the Department of Labor's efficiency in carrying out its obligations under the 10-year-old Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA). When he was ranking Republican member of the Senate Labor Committee, Javits was one of the authors of ERISA.

### Changes in the Works

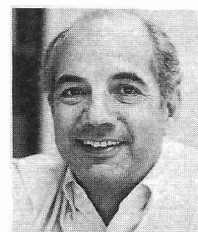
Although the White House is reluctant to confirm it, Presidential Aide **Mike Deaver** has signed on with the Burston-



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*Reunion Roundup*



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*Mutual News Boss*

Marsteller Public Relations firm, starting in January 1985 . . . Rep. **Tom Bliley** of Virginia was named to the House Ethics Committee to fill the slot left open by the death of Rep. **Edwin Forsythe**, 68, of New Jersey. Forsythe was ranking Republican on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee. He had served in Congress since 1970 . . . **Jay Cutler**, Special Counsel and Director of the Division of Government Relations for the American Psychiatric Association, returned last month to Korea, where he served with the Armed Forces 32 years ago. He presented a speech, "Psychiatry and Politics," at the third Pacific Congress of Psychiatry in Seoul. He was formerly GOP counsel and staff director to the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee . . . **Steve Stockmeyer** has formed a consulting firm specializing in government relations and other things political. Stockmeyer was formerly Executive Director of the National Republican Congressional Committee and Senior Vice President for Government Relations for the National Association of Broadcasters.

### Bill Kendall Trot Held

Washington lobbyist **Bill Kendall** has moved his consult-

ing firm to Capitol Hill at New Jersey Avenue and E Street, S.E., just two blocks from where he started in the Cannon House Office Building 25 years ago. Incidentally, Rosecraft Raceway outside Washington named one of its races last month the "Bill Kendall Trot" in his honor . . . President Reagan nominated **Patricia Goldman**, wife of former New York Sen. **Charles Goodell**, to a second term on the National Transportation Safety Board. Before joining the Board in 1979, Goldman was Executive Director of the House Wednesday Group . . . **Marikay Shaw** is the new press secretary to Sen. **Malcolm Wallop** of Wyoming. She has worked on the staffs of former Sen. **S. I. Hayakawa** of California and Sen. **Bob Packwood** of Oregon . . . Rep. **Andy Ireland** of Florida has switched to the GOP after serving four terms in the House as a Democrat . . . Rep. **Bill Frenzel** of Minnesota says that response to his annual questionnaire reinforces the public's demand for deficit reductions. Ninety-three percent felt it was better to reduce spending than to increase taxes; 94 percent felt the country overspent.

### Farm Women Honored

More than one million women are responsible for farming and ranching operations in this country. To honor them, Sen. **Bob Kasten** of Wisconsin introduced a resolution to design-



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nate the week of November 17, 1984, as "Women in Agriculture Week." . . . Longtime Capitol Hill Club member **John Megown**, Director of Marketing with the Iowa-based Nelson Manufacturing Company, was presented the "Friend of Agriculture" award in Des Moines. He had served for 11 years as Chairman of the Iowa Agriculture Promotion Board . . . The Hill community was saddened by the deaths last month of two long-time CHC members. **Teresa "Tress" McLaughlin**, staff assistant to GOP House Leader **Bob Michel** of Illinois, and staff aid to former Reps. **Paul Findley** and **Harold Collier** of Illinois, died of cancer May 26. **William J. MacNelis**, staff assistant to Rep. **William L. Dickinson** of Alabama, passed away May 29. He had earlier served as administrative assistant to former Rep. **Burt Talcott** of California and was president of a major exporting firm in New York from 1957-64.

### Cost of Congressmen Goes Up

How much does your Senator or Congressman cost? In fiscal 1984, Congress is spending \$2.47 million per Senator and \$913,000 per Representative, excluding joint activities and legislative agencies, according to Tax Foundation calcu-



Designated "one of the country's strongest supporters of the entrepreneur," Rep. William Frenzel (left) receives the William A. Steiger award from Daniel S. Gregory, President of the National Venture Capital Association which created the award in memory of the late Rep. William A. Steiger of Wisconsin. It is presented annually to public figures who have contributed outstanding service to the nation. Previous recipients include President Reagan, former Wyoming Sen. Clifford Hansen, and Reps. James Broyhill of North Carolina and Barber Conable of New York.

lations . . . The Carlton Club, which was cited in the *Wall Street Journal* as one of London's leading clubs, requires membership in the Conservative and Unionist Party as a prerequisite for admittance. The Carlton Club is on the CHC's list of reciprocal clubs . . . Sen. **Bill Armstrong** and Rep. **Ken Kramer**, both of Colorado, proposed a joint resolution calling for a Constitutional convention to consider a balanced budget amendment. This is the first time a bill has been introduced to carry out a single-purpose convention . . . Sens. **Slade Gorton** of Washington and **Rudy Boschwitz** of Minnesota have proposed the Professional Sports Team Community Protection Act to protect communities from being abandoned by professional teams. Although the bill deals with all professional sports, Boschwitz's interest was prompted by the possibility of the Twins leaving his state.

### Watt's Book in Works

Former Interior Secretary **James Watt** received a \$135,000 advance from Simon & Schuster for his new book, *The Courage of a Conservative*. He hopes it'll become the definitive guide for conservatives for the 1988 election . . . And former President **Richard Nixon** is planning his sixth book, tentatively titled, *No More Vietnams*. It'll combine Nixon's commentary on foreign policy with his account of the war . . . And former Rep. **John Le Boutillier** of New York is convinced there are prisoners behind held in Southeast Asia, and is investigating the MIAs on his own. He'll fund the project with royalties from the publication of *A Love Affair*, a racy autobiographical novel about his great-grandmother, **Gertrude Vanderbilt Whitney** . . . And another writer, Sen. **Bill Cohen** of Maine, **Gary Hart**'s collaborator on a Washington novel, says they have something else in common: both have changed their names. Cohen's family name was originally Heinz, but his grandfather changed it to Cohen when he came to this country at the turn of the century.

*Editor's Note: Has something interesting happened to you lately? Received a promotion? Written a book? Got married? Whatever? If so, let your fellow CHC members know about it. Send the information to: Elephant's Ear, Capitol Hill Magazine, 300 First Street, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003. And thanks.*