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# Afraid to show his face

WASHINGTON — Former House Speaker Jim Wright has been in seclusion and under tight security in his ritzy southwest Fort Worth home, say insiders. Even neighbors didn't see him outside the compound during the holidays, except when he and his former top aide John Mack went to Las Vegas for the Sugar Ray Leonard fight. Mack was

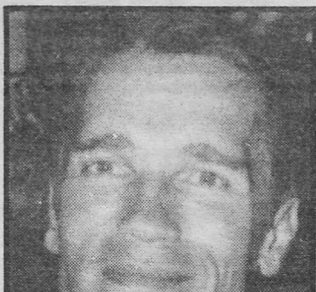


**JIM WRIGHT**  
In seclusion

the controversial aide who, after serving time in prison for beating a woman and leaving her for dead, was the highest paid and most powerful staffer on Capitol Hill. The other day, he suffered broken ribs, a collapsed lung and other injuries in a car accident.

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Is Maria Shriver's hubby, Arnold Schwarzenegger, following in the footsteps of her family, the Kennedys, or is he looking at the career path of a one-time actor from California named Ronald Reagan? The *Pumping Iron* star told *Penthouse* magazine that his goals are "to be richer than Donald Trump and president of the United States."





## SCHWARZENEGGER Big ambitions



## CYBILL SHEPHERD Political stance

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Actress Cybill Shepherd may not be marching, but she's taken a political stance. She's the national spokesperson for Voters for Choice (Jan. 22 is the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade) and wrote the foreword to Shirley Radl's new guidebook to the abortion controversy, *Over Our Live Bodies*.

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Fitness buffs at the downtown Washington YMCA know when Republican National Chairman Lee Atwater is getting in shape. He not-so-discreetly replaces the piped-in aerobics

disco with a tape of his own jam sessions, cuts from his soon-to-be-released album, *Red, Hot and Blue*. But it's not bad. He got a little help from a couple of legendary R & B greats — B.B. King and Isaac Hayes.

Deliver ASAP! Defence attorney William Kunstler is prepared to keep the flames of democracy kindled. He's ordered a box of 50 miniature flag burning kits from the Boston company, Two Masked Dudes and a Lady. Kunstler, of course, is defending four people charged with flag burning. The hot question is: What in the world does he plan to do with the deluxe flag and match kits which include a get-out-of-prison-free card, two miniature paper flags and five matches?

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