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TO: DAN AND JEANIE
FROM: CAROLYN
RE: SEYMOUR DINNER ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Attached is the head table list in order of seating.

I've crossed off the people that don't need to be acknowledged.

Some other notes:

- I've been told that not mentioning the health/recovery of Schuller Sr. would be a glaring omission
- Johnny Grant is the honorary mayor of Hollywood and a local television personality.
- If you use Scott Baio, it's [BAY-o].
- Secretary Skinner is TBD. Will let you know. If the speech has any transportation stuff in it, you could stick Skinner in there. They will have been at the Green Line transportation construction site together that day. I think Curt is doing those remarks.

Hope this helps a bit....

STAGE LEFT/FIRST TIER:

~~MRS. JACKIE AUTREY, wife of Gene Autrey~~

MR. GENE AUTREY, Actor

~~MS. JENNIFER BLAVIN, Guest of Mr. Stalone~~

MR. SYLVESTER STALONE, Actor

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SENATOR JOHN SEYMOUR, U.S. Senator of California

THE PRESIDENT

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~~MRS. DEBBIE WILLIAMS, wife of Andy Williams~~

MR. ANDY WILLIAMS, Entertainer/Singer of National Anthem

~~MRS. DONNA SCHULLER, wife of Rev. Schuller~~

REVEREND ROBERT A. SCHULLER, Pastor of The Ranch¹⁰ Capistrano Community Church (son of Rev. Robert Schuller, Sr.)/Invocation

~~MS. BRENDA LOVE, Guest of Chuck Norris~~

MR. CHUCK NORRIS, Actor/Pledge of Allegiance

STAGE LEFT/SECOND TIER:

~~MRS. MARTHA LYLES, Wife of A.C. Lyles~~

~~MR. A.C. LYLES, Public Relations with Paramount~~

~~MRS. SUSAN DIGNAN, Wife of Jim Dignan~~

~~MR. JIM DIGNAN, California Republican Party Chairman~~

~~MS. PAMELA ANDERSON, Guest of Scott Baio~~

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Baio

STAGE RIGHT/SECOND TIER:

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~~MR. BILL JONES, Minority Leader of California State Assembly~~

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Secretary Skinner

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
Assistant to the President
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Earlier this month, I generated some controversy with my remarks about television and its affect on our kids. [[By the way, Sly Stallone and Chuck Norris agree: we've got to get violence off TV, and keep it where it belongs -- in the movie theaters. // Just kidding.]]

But the fact is, TV shouldn't be an electronic babysitter; even the best educational TV -- and there are some tremendous programs -- cannot substitute for parents who care. / Kids who sit in front of the tube all day may be great for the Nielsen ratings, but they won't help our SAT scores -- and they certainly won't be able to compete in the 21st Century -- when brains, not brawn, will determine the destinies of nations.

Real reform means taking responsibility -- challenging our communities to get involved -- giving parents the power to choose which school is best for their kids. //

That's America 2000: common sense -- but then again, as Tom Paine understood: Sometimes -- in the right circumstances, common sense can be revolutionary. //

In California -- across this country, really -- a Republican revolution has begun. We've known for a long time our party is the party of American ideals -- that our faith in freedom reflects the special magic of America. Just as important, right here at home, the Republican Party stands as the party of ideas. From re-inventing our schools to turning tenants into homeowners -- from enlisting the marketplace to clean our air to promoting

ways of finding new energy sources -- on one issue after another: when America asks for solutions, Republicans deliver.

That's the secret behind Republican success in this great state -- the secret that makes John Seymour so effective in the Senate.

Tonight we reaffirm the powerful ideals that give this Party its sense of direction and strength of purpose. Let's wage our Republican revolution here in California and across the country - - and let's start by sending John Seymour back to the Senate. //

Once again, my thanks to you for this warm West Coast welcome -- and may God bless the United States of America.

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9-13-91

TO: CHRISTINA MARTIN
202-456-6218

FROM: CAROLYN CAWLEY
213-273-2222 Room 1518 (STAFF OFFICE)

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TINA -

Attached is a head table list for the Seymour dinner —
could you please pass it on to the researcher/writer? Also, FYI
for them: * 7-8 more people, TBD.

This list is not complete.

* "Rev. Shuller" is not the ~~one~~ one in Amsterdam
that had brain surgery. This is his son (same name) —
but POTUS may want to refer to the father's
recovery.

* At the last L.A. event, Johnny Grant was also
the M.C. — and he knows the President. POTUS'
acknowledgements included every person but Johnny —
and he was devastated. He's got to be acknowledged
this time.

* I'll be in touch. — Call me!

Carolyn

PS Some ack's for transp.
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HEAD TABLE LISTING

President George Bush

Senator John and Judy Seymour

Governor Pete and Gayle Wilson

Hon. George Deukmejian (EX Governor)

Bob Hope (Delores not confirmed)

Chuck Norris and Guest

Sylvester Stallone and Jennifer Flavin

— Andy and Debbie Williams - NATIONAL ANTHEM

— Scott Baio and Pamela Anderson

— Reverend Robert A. and Donna Schuller

— Bill Jones - Minority Leader, State Assembly

— Jim and Susan Dignan - CRP Chairman

Kevin and Cindy Costner

— Loretta Young and escort Dame Donohue

— A.C. and Martha Lyles

* Johnny Grant - MASTER OF CEREMONIES

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Honorary Mayor of Hollywood.

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POLITICS

Wilson in for Taunting
by GOP Conservatives

GOP in California
Expresses Its Rage
At 'One Term Pete'

The gulf between California Gov. Pete Wilson and his party widened during a clamorous Republican state convention over the weekend in Anaheim.

Angry conservatives who consider Wilson too liberal denounced him for closing the state budget gap with a huge tax increase. They also pushed through a resolution demanding that the governor veto legislation that would outlaw job discrimination against homosexuals. Wilson has declined to say whether he will sign the bill, which reached his desk last week.

Some of the conservative fire was directed at Sen. John Seymour, who Wilson appointed to finish his term after he became governor. Seymour faces a challenge for the nomination in 1992 from conservative Rep. William E. Dannemeyer, an outspoken critic of gays and lesbians. According to the Los Angeles Times, nearly half the 600 delegates in the convention hall walked out Sunday when Seymour began speaking.

Conservatives view Seymour as a stand-in for Wilson, who avoided the wrath of the delegates by limiting his appearance in connection with the convention to a fund-raiser Friday at the Nixon Library. "We knew that Pete would be booted if he showed up at the convention itself," said a spokesman for the governor.

Ever since the Democratic-controlled legislature closed the budget deficit gap two months ago by passing Wilson's tax proposals, conservatives have been predicting the governor's political demise. They expressed this view at the convention by distributing bumper stickers that said, "One Term Pete: The Michael Dukakis of the West."

Libertarian Challenge?

President Bush, meanwhile,

has his own problems. Ron Paul, the 1988 Libertarian Party presidential nominee, has let it be known that he may launch a primary challenge to Bush for breaking his "no new taxes" pledge and permitting "big government to get bigger."

In a telephone interview from his Jackson Lake, Wyo., office, Paul, who served in the House from Texas between 1979 and 1985 and now has a part-time medical practice and publishes newsletters on politics and investments, said he had authorized friends to form an exploratory committee on his behalf. A decision on challenging Bush in New Hampshire and later primaries has not been made, he said.

Paul, who received 432,000 votes as the Libertarian nominee in 1988, said he had attended the recent Chicago convention where Libertarians chose Andre V. Marrau, his 1988 vice presidential running-mate, to carry the party banner in 1992.

But Paul said, "The greatest frustration at the moment is among the old-line Reagan Republicans who are disenchanting with George Bush, and the place to tap into that is in the Republican primaries."

He said his campaign would focus on Bush's fiscal record of "higher taxes, higher deficits and much higher spending increases than Reagan allowed." He also criticized Bush for "sending billions of dollars overseas . . . when schools are closing at home and teachers are being laid off. He's even talking about foreign aid for the Soviet Union. People are tired of it."

While Paul suggested in the interview that the severe economic slump in New Hampshire and the rest of New England might fuel his protest candidacy, David M. Carney, Bush's special assistant for political affairs, said: "I don't think he's going to find much support for his effort among rank-and-file Republicans. He'll have a difficult time getting off the ground."

—David S. Broder
and Lou Cannon.

Politics: Convention of
State Central Committee
gives critics of governor's
tax hikes a chance to
express views.

By BILL STALL
and CATHLEEN DECKER
TIMES POLITICAL WRITERS

Although he has been applauded nationally for mastering California's budget crisis, Gov. Pete Wilson faces the taunts of tea bags this weekend and perhaps being hanged in effigy by angry anti-tax conservatives from within his own Republican Party.

The setting is the semiannual convention of the Republican State Central Committee tonight through Sunday in Anaheim. Officially, the 1,500 committee members have been summoned to handle housekeeping duties and to begin organizing for the 1992 election campaign.

Candidates for the two U.S. Senate seats at stake in California next year will seize the opportunity to woo supporters from among GOP officialdom at hotel hospitality suites, in corridors and in caucus rooms.

But almost certain to get the most public attention will be debate on issues raised by the state GOP's most conservative members—usually aligned with the so-called religious right—who consider themselves keepers of the true Republican flame. The conservatives, who appear to control the party structure, brand as heretical the moderate policies of Wilson and his hand-picked U.S. Senate successor, John Seymour of Anaheim. Those policies range from advocacy of a woman's right to abortion to protection of the environment.

They are focusing their ire on Wilson's sponsorship of nearly \$7 billion in tax increases as part of the \$14-billion budget deficit solution Wilson fashioned this summer with majority Democrats in the Legislature. Conservative activists have urged delegates to come to the convention armed with tea bags symbolic of the anti-tax Boston Tea Party of 1773. There was talk of having a doll representing Wilson either hanged or tarred and feathered—borrowings from the American colonists' response to British tax collectors.

State GOP conventions usually are marked by ideological infighting, noted former state Sen. H. L. Richardson, head of Gun Owners of California and an adviser to the U.S. Senate campaign of Rep. William E. Dannemeyer of Fullerton. But in 1991, "for the first time in California history, a Republican governor is not welcome at the Republican convention," he said.

He may not be welcomed by many, but Wilson is the titular head of the party and was invited some time ago to address the convention. He is scheduled to address a gathering tonight at the Richard M. Nixon Library in Yorba Linda.

Even Richardson, a veteran intriguer and instigator of intramural spats and plots, acknowledged that party conventions "are great exhibitions of nothingness."

He added, however, that "Pete is a little bit out of step with the basic grass-roots party" and "you can expect some fireworks." An effort will be made to diminish the governor's control over party functions, such as the selection of delegates to the Republican National Convention.

If history is any guide, the debate will attract lots of media attention but will lead to little action. The governor's office seemed little concerned. In the past, governors and presidents worked behind the scenes to mute or squash internal conflict. The Wilson folk claim they are not bothering to do that at Anaheim. The best approach is to ignore the dissidents, said one Wilson political adviser who declined to be identified.

"They don't represent the broad spectrum of the party, certainly not the mainstream. A segment of the party does not support Pete Wilson. They say it's because of issues. I say it is access. They are not players. . . . They are in this thing for their own glorification."

The Wilson strategist guessed that the vocal right represents only about one-third of the delegates. "This is their only time to shine," he said. "You don't see them working in campaigns. You don't see them at fund raisers."

Frank Visco of Lancaster, immediate past party chairman, observed, "There's a whole lot more clout in the governor's office than in the party apparatus."

Still, the conservative shock troops spend time, energy and money in seeking party positions, and therefore will wield considerable control of the party apparatus at this convention.

Allies of Dannemeyer, who is challenging Seymour for the nomination in 1992, will try to obtain official party condemnation of tax increases and sanctions for GOP lawmakers who supported them. Other goals will be expressions of abhorrence for government waste, abortion and civil rights for gays.

State GOP Chairman Jim Dignan of Modesto said he expects the most raucous debate to be confined to committee meetings, sparing the full convention from protracted wrangling. Former Chairman Visco said the dissidents "are basically attacking the governor on issues I think are meaningless."

"Two issues, abortion and gay rights, should not be issues in the political arena. They should be private issues," Visco said.

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RESPONSE:

McGroarty/Bunton
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1:00 pm
[SEYMOUR]

01 SEP 13 P1:42

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Real reform means taking responsibility -- challenging our communities to get involved -- giving parents the power to choose which school is best for their kids. //

That's America 2000: common sense -- but then again, as Tom Paine understood, in the right circumstances, common sense can be revolutionary. //

In California -- across this country -- a Republican revolution has begun. We've known for a long time our party is the party of American ideals -- that our faith in freedom gives the word "America" a magic all its own. Just as important, right here at home, the Republican Party today stands as the party of ideas. From re-inventing our schools to turning tenants into homeowners -- from enlisting the ingenuity of the marketplace to clean our air to promoting ways to find new sources of energy -- on one issue after another: Republicans have the answers America is searching for.

Tonight we reaffirm the powerful ideals that provide this Party its sense of direction and strength of purpose. Let's wage our Republican revolution here in California and across the country -- and let's start by sending John Seymour back to the Senate. //

Once again, my thanks to you for this warm West Coast welcome -- and may God bless the United States of America.