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June 29, 1994

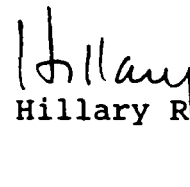
Honorable Lynn Schenk
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Lynn:

Thank you for your letter informing me of the Eleanor Roosevelt College and Business Journal invitations. I have passed on the information to my scheduling office for consideration. Chancellor Atkinson will be hearing directly from that office in the future.

With kind regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,


Hillary Rodham Clinton

cc: Patti Solis
Director of Scheduling



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

LYNN SCHENK
49TH DISTRICT
CALIFORNIA

cc: Patti Solis
Joan Baggett
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June 24, 1994

The First Lady
Hillary Rodham Clinton
Old Executive Office Building
Room 100
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Dear Hillary,

Last spring, when I visited in your office, I was delighted to learn of your willingness to visit San Diego, in September, on my behalf! I was especially delighted you reconfirmed that willingness last night at your wonderful party for the Congress.

As I mentioned to you, since our meeting in March, the Regents of the University of California at San Diego, voted to name a college at UCSD in honor of former First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt. Knowing of your admiration for your predecessor, the Chancellor of the University, Richard C. Atkinson, has asked me to inquire if you would consider being the principal speaker at the dedication ceremony of the Eleanor Roosevelt College.

UCSD'S Eleanor Roosevelt College holds the unique distinction of being the first institution of higher learning in the nation to be named after this remarkable First Lady. Reflecting the ideas and values that shaped her rich and varied life, the College focuses on global thinking, internationalism and volunteerism.

A large gathering for the dedication ceremony is anticipated, comprised of several thousand students, faculty, staff and community members. I believe it would be a most pleasant occasion for you, and your presence would make it momentous for the rest of us! I am enclosing the Chancellor's letter of invitation.

There is yet a second special event planned, coincidentally, for the same time frame in San Diego - a conference of approximately 800 women business owners and entrepreneurs. It is sponsored by the Business Journal, capitalizing on San Diego's ranking by Working Woman magazine as one of the 10 best cities in America for women entrepreneurs.

Columbia Pictures president Dawn Steel will be a featured speaker. The Business Journal publisher, Ted Owen, has asked me to convey his special invitation to you to be the keynote speaker or to participate in any manner you would like.

Again, I am deeply grateful to you for agreeing to campaign for me - you are greatly and truly admired in my district. Your presence will be of enormous benefit - and I would be honored by it. Thank you, too, for considering these non-campaign functions.

My staff person contact is Laurie Black at (619) 291-5966. She and I eagerly await the call of your staff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lynn". The signature is stylized with a large, flowing "L" and a cursive "ynn".

Lynn Schenk
Member of Congress

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June 2, 1994

Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C.**CHRON**

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

In October, 1994 we plan to dedicate an undergraduate college on our campus which recently received the name "Eleanor Roosevelt College." I am writing to invite you to be the principal speaker at the dedication ceremony of this college, the first institution of higher learning in the country to be named after this remarkable woman.

Like its four undergraduate counterparts at the University of California, San Diego, Eleanor Roosevelt College is a residential college that determines the General Education and graduation requirements for its nearly 1900 students. Its specific focus is on global thinking, internationalism, and volunteerism. Since it opened its doors to new freshmen in the fall of 1988, over 35% of each junior class has studied abroad in an average of more than 33 countries. Regardless of major, all students take a full year of foreign language and a two-year cross-cultural, cross-disciplinary, historically based sequence called "The Making of the Modern World." This curriculum requires extensive reading in and writing about non-Western cultures. In lieu of a minor, each student selects and completes a regional specialization consisting of at least three courses dealing with a specific region of the world.

A large percentage of students in our first two graduating classes has gone on to graduate school; many others have gone into international volunteerism (e.g. the Peace Corps), into teaching (e.g. Teach for America, the Japanese Ministry of Culture's English Teaching program), into international business, and into government service for our own and other nations (e.g. Canada, Hungary, Poland). Consonant with Eleanor Roosevelt's example, the college educates its students to think and behave with heightened global consciousness in their personal and professional communities.

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HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON

June 2, 1994

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For a formal dedication of the college and related events, we have set aside a period immediately following the 110th anniversary of Eleanor Roosevelt's birth (10/11/94 through 11/7/94). For the college, optimal dates within that period are the weekends of October 28-30 or November 4-6, but we would be happy to accommodate your schedule within the longer time period. We envision a large gathering for the dedication proper -- probably several thousand students, faculty, staff, and friends from the community. If you would be interested in visiting classes or meeting with groups of students, we would be most appreciative. Other events within the dedication period are being planned, but everything is tentative until we know if you are willing and able to join us.

We are hopeful that your schedule will allow you to help us honor this great American woman, and I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely,

**ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
RICHARD C. ATKINSON**Richard C. Atkinson
Chancellor



To Lynn Schenk with admiration and affection -
Hillary Rodham Clinton

see Patti

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 26, 1994

*Have her
called to set
up visit*

Honorable Lynn Schenk
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman Schenk:

Thank you for your letter on the impact of health care reform on the biotechnology industry. Research performed by the biotechnology industry is essential to the development of cures and treatments for cancer, AIDS, Alzheimer's and other deadly diseases. As you noted in your letter and as we discussed at our meeting, we must ensure that companies receive a fair return on investment in order to reward essential research and development and to attract necessary capital for continued research, while containing the costs of health care in this country.

The Health Security Act, as introduced, establishes an Advisory Council on Breakthrough Drugs to advise the Secretary of Health and Human Services on the reasonableness of launch prices of new drugs. The determination is based on a wide range of factors, including prices of other drugs in the same therapeutic class, cost information supplied by the manufacturer, manufacturing requirements and research costs, and improvements in quality of life offered by the new product. The Council does not have authority to mandate a reduction in the price of a new drug. The Secretary has the limited authority to exclude a newly marketed drug from Medicare coverage only if negotiations to determine a rebate amount fail.

Our challenge is to preserve innovation in the biotechnology industry and maintain quality of health care while controlling escalating costs. I look forward to continuing the discussion we have already begun on alternative approaches to achieve this delicate balance.

Sincerely yours,

Hillary
Hillary Rodham Clinton

*I really appreciated your personal
letter and look forward to visiting
with you soon.*

LYNN SCHENK
49TH DISTRICT
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CC: MELANIE
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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

October 19, 1993

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First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear ~~Madame~~ *Hillary* First Lady:

I know that I am not alone among my colleagues on the House Energy and Commerce Committee in my appreciation of your helpful and informative presentation on the President's health care reform plan. Your outstanding leadership and advocacy are crucial to our efforts to reform our health care system.

As I mentioned during the Energy and Commerce hearing, I share with you a particular interest in preserving the biomedical research capabilities of our health care system. Those of us who provide leadership on this issue face what I believe to be a moral imperative to encourage the efficient and effective use of all our national resources to find cures and therapies for AIDS, Alzheimer's, cancer and other deadly diseases. We must also recognize that this research presents not only the best hopes for treatment, but the best method to achieve quality care within the constraints of effective cost containment.

I am writing to follow up on the question I asked about the impact of health care reform on the innovative research of the biotechnology industry. As I mentioned at the hearing, my district includes many biotechnology companies, and I am continually impressed by the growing economic importance of the biotechnology industry and the significant hope it holds for finding treatments for presently untreatable diseases and medical conditions.

Overall, the biotechnology industry is the most research intensive industry in the country. Biotechnology companies spent \$5.7 billion on research in 1991, and research expenditures per employee averaged \$59,000. As you know, the industry can not use revenues from existing drugs to finance this research --in fact, the industry as a whole lost \$3.6 billion last year. Its funding comes almost exclusively from stock offerings to private investors and the public markets.

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Unfortunately, these capital markets collapsed this past winter. 60% of American companies have less than two years of capital left, and they are using their capital at four times the rate they are raising it. This is unsustainable, and it means that research will likely be curtailed.

Dr. Tina Berger, Chief Operating Officer of Prism Pharmaceuticals (and one of a handful of women executives in this field), had to cut off promising research into ovarian cancer because her venture capital "dried up" the day after the President intimated there might be price controls. That is how sensitive these markets are.

I share your commitment to the need for the cost-effective delivery of health care. However, the worst possible message for the Administration to send to the biotechnology industry would be to announce it will take specific action to control prices of only one segment of the health care industry -- breakthrough therapeutic drugs. Providing the Secretary of Health and Human Services with authority to deny reimbursement for "new" drugs deemed to be too expensive could have a devastating effect on future research.

I believe that the way to control costs and ensure that innovative research continues is to develop methods for evaluating the cost-effectiveness of all treatments -- drugs, devices, surgery, diagnostics -- in terms of patient outcomes. In this way we could evaluate not only the retail price of a breakthrough treatment, but its cost to the system when compared to other procedures.

I can not overstate the importance of health care reform to the biomedical industry. This plan can do much to stimulate this vibrant and exciting industry or it can cause it irreparable damage in its infancy.

I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss this issue with you and your staff at your convenience. I look forward to working with you and I am enormously grateful for your leadership.

Sincerely,



Lynn Schenk
Member of Congress

cc. Secretary Donna Shalala
Ira Magaziner

THE WHITE HOUSE

June 16, 1993

Honorable Lynn Schenk
United States House of Representatives
Washington D.C. 20515

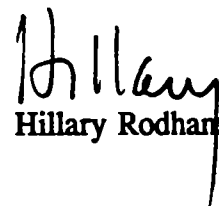
Dear Representative Schenk:

Thank you for sending me the information about the company "Call Doc." I passed along the material to the appropriate members of the President's Task Force on National Health Care Reform, which recently sent its recommendations to the President.

I am encouraged to see the private sector involved in the effort to improve the nation's health care system. An innovative company can indeed make solving the health care quagmire a worthwhile entrepreneurial endeavor.

Again, thank you for the information. I look forward to our continued work together to ensure that every American family enjoys the security of quality, affordable health care.

Sincerely,


Hillary Rodham Clinton



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

LYNN SCHENK
49TH DISTRICT
CALIFORNIA

PAM NOV 22 1993

Dear Hillary,

Now that the NAFTA vote is over (at last) I wanted to congratulate the administration on its victory. I also wanted to let you and the President know that during both the NAFTA debate and that on Perry-Kasich, some members of the cabinet and White House staff were absolutely terrific in understanding my difficult political situation (I had campaigned strongly against NAFTA and for \$100 billion in spending cuts).

Administration people such as Ron Brown, Bruce Babbitt, Donna Shalala, Howard Baker and John Emerson not only understood, but remembered that I had been there twice on the budget votes (despite the overwhelmingly negative response from my constituents and my local press). They also recognized that while I could not support NAFTA or a robust Perry-Kasich, I will be there on tough choices in the future.

Sadly, other members of your team have not been so fair-minded. Their position seems to be "what are you doing for us right this minute?" Past tough votes seem to be forgotten along with their offers of help to get that previous vote!

I have a 39% Democratic district that combines high registration along with high voter turnout (over 70%). The President received 42% of the vote; I received 51%. This was still about 30,000 raw votes more than that of an adjoining Democratic district where turnout is low, even though the Democratic percentage is high.

My district, along with Jane Harman's, can provide the voter edge that will be needed in 1996 to carry California. For me to help deliver in '96, I have to continue to be strong. This will require a strategy vastly different from the one used in traditional liberal, inner city Democratic districts. Jane and I (along with Mayore Margolies Mevinsky) need the Administration's understanding about this and ~~the~~^{its} support of our strategy.

I hope you can help get that message across, if you agree with it.

P.S. I wish you and your family a happy holiday season.

Warm regards,
Jim

March 3, 1993

Dear Congresswoman Schenk:

It was wonderful to meet with you and the other members of the Caucus for Women's Issues to discuss the vitally important topic of health care reform.

I look forward to working with you. With your collaboration, I feel confident that our common endeavor will be successful.

All the best.

Sincerely yours,

Honorable Lynn Schenk
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

THE WHITE HOUSE

February 22, 1994

Honorable Lynn Schenk
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Lynn:

Thank you for your letter.

Your support of the President in the face of a very tough election is deeply appreciated. I have made the scheduling office aware of your request and it will be considered for any future trip to California.

With warm regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Hillary
Hillary Rodham Clinton

*Look forward to seeing
you soon -*

*cc:
Melanne
Patti*

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

LYNN SCHENK
49TH DISTRICT
CALIFORNIA

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-Wendy*

February 4, 1994

First Lady Hillary Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Hillary:

Last October I wrote to you and asked you to consider visiting San Diego on my behalf. Attached is a copy of the letter for your review.

As you may know, I am facing a tough Republican opponent, Dr. John Steel, the immediate past chief of staff at Scripps Memorial Hospital. So far, it appears that Dr. Steele plans to focus on two issues in his campaign against me: my vote for the president's budget and my support of health care reform.

In order to keep California's 49th district Democratic, I am going to need a great deal of help. I have enclosed transcripts of the radio ads he started running this week.

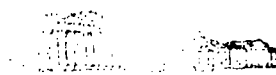
Thank you again for the terrific work you are doing on health care and thank you for considering my invitation.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lynn".

Lynn Schenk
Member of Congress



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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

LYNN SCHENK
49TH DISTRICT
CALIFORNIA

October 14, 1993

Mrs. Hillary Clinton
First Lady
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Hillary:

Permit me to add my words to the thousands of laudatory ones already spoken to describe your leadership in bringing about the President's health care proposal in such a short time and then giving so selflessly to present it to Members of Congress.

Before the Inauguration, I had written to you about the "role" you would carve out for yourself. As a woman who has been involved in the feminist movement since the 70's, who chose to enter previously uncharted areas, I knew it could be very risky to one's reputation (to say nothing of one's emotional well-being) to lead in a new direction. However, I felt very deeply that you had the opportunity to shape an historic new role for a First Lady.

In my letter, I took the liberty of suggesting that once you found your area of interest, you not only champion the cause, become its chief spokesperson and "saleswoman", but once legislation is passed, you have the unique opportunity to see to its effective implementation. I doubt you saw my letter (the mail situation in my own office is bad enough), but I am delighted to observe what you have done and are doing with health care reform. Clearly, your own thinking led you to similar conclusions about the contribution you can make, and I cheer your courage.

Before this letter gets much longer, I would like to make a request and give you yet another message from my mother.

First, the request: As you make plans to travel the country, I would ask you to consider coming to California's 49th Congressional District (which I represent) to speak about health care reform. While it is only a 39% Democratic district, it is a key swing area which the President carried and will have to carry again in order to win California in the future. While the

Mrs. Hillary Clinton
October 13, 1993
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district is primarily Republican and Perot, the voters are independent enough to be willing to listen. They had never before in the history of San Diego sent a Democrat to Congress.

It is also a district with very high voter turnout - over 260,000 people voted in the last election. Contrast that to an adjoining "Democratic" district where about 140,000 people turned out to vote. The margin in raw numbers could be very important to us. This district also is "home" to the third or fourth largest concentration of Biotech firms in the country, the UCSD Medical School, 11 large hospitals including the regional VA, the Balboa Naval Hospital (one of the largest in the country), the University of California Medical Center and the world famous Scripps Clinic and Research Institute. There are many other reasons why I believe you should seriously consider such a visit and I would be pleased to discuss it further with your staff.

Second, my mother's message: She was delighted that I delivered her first message to you and now has another. She observed that many Vice Presidents follow in the footsteps of the Presidents they serve and run for the highest office themselves. It is her view that you should take on this role of succession, shifting it from the Vice Presidency to the First Lady. I know there are many "political lifetimes" between now and the year 2000, but being a dutiful daughter (and one who heartily endorses her mother's point of view) I am obliged to pass on this recommendation along with the hope that no one dismisses out of hand the possibility of Hillary Rodham Clinton leading the Democratic ticket in the year 2000.

Best personal regards,



Lynn Schenk
Member of Congress

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Lynn Schenk Hit Piece Radio Ads

[SPOT 1]

Commentator:

You're right on about those "tax and spend" liberals like Congresswoman Schenk.

Schenk votes for every tax bill that comes down the pike including the biggest tax increase in our nation's history - - in fact, Schenk was the one deciding vote in the House of Representatives that gave Clinton his tax increase. And now she has the nerve to come back here to San Diego and say she's for cutting taxes and spending. It's absolutely unbelievable.

But fortunately there is a tough minded conservative, John Steel, who's going to challenge her for Congress.

John Steel is not a willy-nilly politician. He was a Navy fighter pilot, an exceptional surgeon and Chief of Staff at Scripps Memorial. The first thing John Steel's going to do in Congress is repeal the Clinton-Schenk tax increase.

And most important, we can count on John Steel's courage and convictions.

And that's why conservatives paid for this commentary for John Steel for Congress.

[SPOT 2]

Commentator:

You've been telling us about "tax and spend" liberals like Congresswoman Schenk. Now picture this: last August 7th our San Diego Congresswoman Schenk was the deciding vote to raise taxes by two hundred and forty billion dollars.

Now here's the kicker. Do you know what the Clinton-Schenk tax bill costs the average San Diego family? Seven thousand, seven hundred and forty-two dollars. Some of it you'll pay in higher taxes this April and the rest will be added to the national debt for your children to pay.

What can we do? We can replace her with a tough minded conservative John Steel.

John Steel is not a willy-nilly politician. He was a Navy fighter pilot, an exceptional surgeon and Chief of Staff at Scripps Memorial.

The first thing John Steel's going to do in Congress is repeal the Clinton-Schenk tax increase.

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[SPOT 3]**Commentator:**

You know how bad things are in Washington but can you believe that the Department of Agriculture keeps growing while the number of farms keep decreasing? There are now more bureaucrats in the Agriculture Department than there are farmers in America.

And last June 29th our local Congresswoman Schenk actually voted to increase the Department of Agriculture's budget by another ten billion dollars.

Guess how much that one vote of Schenk's is costs the average family in San Diego? [pause] Seven hundred and twenty-six dollars. Some of it you'll pay in higher taxes this April and the rest will be added to the national debt for your children to pay.

Fortunately, there's an alternative - - John Steel. He's a tough minded conservative. He was a Navy fighter pilot, an exceptional surgeon and Chief of Staff at Scripps Memorial. John Steel's going to doing some surgery on Congress and cut those crazy programs.

We can count on John Steel's courage and convictions.

And that's why conservatives paid for this commentary for John Steel for Congress.

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[SPOT 4]

Commentator:

What is America coming to when families can't pay their own bills because they're paying for the government's sky-rocketing welfare costs.

Get this - - last October 7th our own Congresswoman Schenk voted to increase the already bloated welfare spending by fourteen billion dollars. Schenk's welfare vote cost the average San Diego family an additional two thousand six hundred, sixty-four dollars. Some of it your family will pay in higher taxes this April and the rest will be added to the national debt for your children to pay.

Let's retire Congresswoman Schenk and elect John Steel.

Let's elect John Steel. We can count on John Steel's courage and convictions. He's a tough minded conservative. He was a Navy fighter pilot, an exceptional surgeon and Chief of Staff at Scripps Memorial. And John Steel is going to reform those crazy programs.

And that's why conservatives paid for this commentary for John Steel for Congress.

John Steel

for U.S. Congress

49th Congressional District

- *Former U.S. Navy Fighter Pilot, Presidential Commendation.*
- *Chief of Staff, Scripps Memorial Hospital (1991-1993), practicing physician in San Diego for 26 years.*
- *Educator at U.C.S.D. since 1968 and currently an Associate Clinical Professor.*
- *As Chief of Staff at Scripps, John is working diligently to develop a pioneering Women's Health Center.*
- *John's wife Suella is a top nationally ranked Senior Tennis Player. John is the father of five children, John, Kevin, Michael, Kimberly and Bruce.*
- *Active in the community, including ten years as little league coach.*
- *Republican.*

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John Steel on the Issues

CUT TAXES My first act in Congress will be to repeal the Clinton Tax bill. The incumbent, Mrs. Schenk, cast the deciding vote for the biggest tax increase in American history.

FREEZE FEDERAL SPENDING The Federal deficit exists because the government spends too much, not because we are taxed too little. I will fight for a freeze on federal spending to balance the budget without raising taxes.

BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT I strongly support a Balanced Budget Amendment and a Presidential Line-item Veto.

CUT CAPITAL GAINS TAX I support the reduction of the capital gains tax to create economic growth and to stimulate our economy.

GET TOUGH ON CRIME I strongly support the death penalty and the permanent lock up of career criminals.

HEALTH CARE REFORM Quality health care must be available to all, "portable" and without limitations for pre-existing medical conditions. Choice and quality must be ensured to preserve the finest health care system in the world.

STOP ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION We must increase the number of Border Patrols, utilize the national Guard and commit the resources necessary to secure our borders. Until the flood of illegal immigration is stopped, local and state governments should be reimbursed by the federal government.

NO MORE CUTS IN NATIONAL DEFENSE We have cut enough.

IMPOSE TERM LIMITS Replace career politicians with citizens who understand how our economy works.

San Diego Reader 12-23-93, P-4

CITY LIGHTS

Happy days not here again A month after city manager **Jack McGrory** ordered up a bid, San Diego Convention Center officials have scrapped plans to solicit the 1996 Democratic Convention. The reason, according to convention center V.P. **Carol Wallace**, is that the 760,000-square-foot facility "doesn't meet the basic specifications." "They have certain requirements for raised seating, and we don't have the capacity to do that." The center's size ranks 14th in the nation. The Democrats were asking for \$21.7 million in cash and services to help defray the cost. Cities currently in the running for the convention, which could attract upwards of 35,000 delegates, reporters, and others, include New Orleans, Chicago, Los Angeles, and San Antonio. San Diego was one of four other cities party officials said were likely to submit bids, the others being New York, Cleveland, and Kansas City. — T.K.A.

They don't call it Big Green for nothing **John Steel**, chief of staff at Scripps Memorial Hospital and one of the first Republicans to announce his candidacy for Democrat **Lynne Schenk's** 49th Congressional District seat, is hitting up his fellow Dartmouth College alumni for money. Earlier this month, he sent out a fund-raising letter that begins, "Remember the magic of 'Dartmouth Night.' As we watched the bonfire and dreamed of the future, who would have envisioned that our free enterprise system and aspirations of individual opportunity would be threatened in our own country." The punchline: "We must raise \$100,000...to put together the kind of campaign that will win next year. We are already about halfway there, but I need your help now." He adds, "the limits are \$1000 per person." Underneath his name he notes he has served on the Dartmouth board of trustees and is the "father of five Dartmouth alumni." Steel's campaign manager, **Heidi Bunkowske**, says the pitch is in keeping with her boss's character. "John is a novel kind of person," she says, adding that when she asked him for his "personal list," instead of the usual 100 to 200 names, he gave her 4000. "He's even sent a [fund-raising] letter to his high school class," she says, "and we've had responses that are phenomenal." — T.K.A.

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Dr. Steel seeks to introduce his own health-care plan

By GERRY BRAUN
Staff Writer

Dr. John Steel, a urologist and former chief of staff at Scripps Memorial Hospital, has chosen an appropriate year in which to run for Congress.

At a time when the Washington political establishment appears determined to enact some semblance of health-care reform, the gentleman from California rises in opposition. This is one physician who believes the patient is doing just fine.

"This really is not a crisis," said Steel, arguing that 86 percent of Americans are perfectly happy with the present system. "I say it and many others say it."

Steel discussed his own modest proposal to revamp health care last week from his comfortable home atop Mount Soledad. At his side was a large white tablet on an easel. The second page phrased matters succinctly: "HEALTH CARE = USA BEST IN WORLD." And: "Take Apart Engine to Change Oil?"

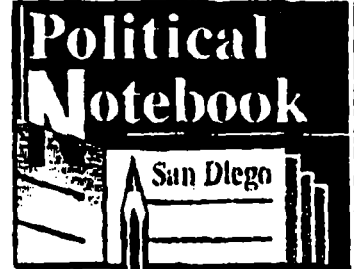
"Who is more credible to talk

about this than somebody like me?" asked Steel, a Republican who hopes to challenge Rep. Lynn Schenk, D-San Diego. "There's nobody in San Diego, certainly in politics. There's nobody in Congress."

Most experts say that for health-care costs to come down vested interests must give ground. The most likely candidates are the trial lawyers, the insurance companies, the health profession and the taxpayers.

Steel's proposal for congressional action leaves the latter two groups unscathed. It clips the trial lawyers (and their clients) by enacting tort reforms to reduce malpractice judgments and cuts insurance industry profits by compelling firms (and their customers) to subsidize coverage for the working poor.

In Steel's view, the working poor are the only people not covered by the American health-care umbrella. He proposes that they be offered the chance to insure themselves through health-care savings accounts.



To open one, an individual would deposit \$3,000 in a tax-exempt savings account. He or she could withdraw up to \$2,000 during the year for health expenses, plus up to \$1,000 for a catastrophic insurance policy that would cover all other expenses. Steel and his associates are still working out the details and crunching numbers, but the tax exemption is the key to its affordability.

What about people without \$3,000? Steel said insurance companies, eager to avoid the Draconian Clinton plan, would gladly foot

the bill. Had they said so? Not yet, but he is opening that discussion.

"It provides choice. It tends to get the government out of it, it does not charge the taxpayers any more bucks, and it seems to be a marvelous solution," Steel said. "I don't think it's going to be much trouble persuading anyone in Congress that it's going to work or that this should be the plan, providing we provide the numbers."

"The numbers have to work out and the insurance industry has to say, 'Yeah, we really think that is a good idea.'" Steel said optimistically.

Animal attraction

PAW PAC, which bills itself as "California's political action committee for animals," has given three San Diego County lawmakers top marks for their 1993 voting records on bills affecting animal rights. Four others were flunked.

Typical of the 11 bills PAW PAC used to separate the good from the

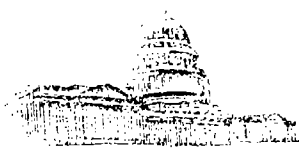
bad was AB 1550 by Assemblyman Jack O'Connell, D-Carpinteria, which would have required a bittering agent be added to anti-freeze, making it unappealing to the taste buds. The four San Diegans who received F grades voted against the bill, which Gov. Pete Wilson vetoed.

The legislators who received A grades from PAW PAC were Assembly members Dede Alpert, D-Coronado, and Mike Gotch, D-San Diego, and independent Sen. Lucy Killea of San Diego.

B grades were bestowed on state Sens. Steve Peace, D-Chula Vista, and Bill Craven, R-Oceanside, while Assemblyman Tom Connolly, D-Lemon Grove, received a C, as did Wilson. Assemblyman Robert Frazee, R-Carlsbad, got a D.

Flunking marks were given to Assembly members Jan Goldsmith, R-Poway, Ray Haynes, R-Murrieta, and Bill Morrow, R-Oceanside, and to Sen. David Kelley, R-Hemet.

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October 14, 1993

Mrs. Hillary Clinton
First Lady
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Hillary:

Permit me to add my words to the thousands of laudatory ones already spoken to describe your leadership in bringing about the President's health care proposal in such a short time and then giving so selflessly to present it to Members of Congress.

Before the Inauguration, I had written to you about the "role" you would carve out for yourself. As a woman who has been involved in the feminist movement since the 70's, who chose to enter previously uncharted areas, I knew it could be very risky to one's reputation (to say nothing of one's emotional well-being) to lead in a new direction. However, I felt very deeply that you had the opportunity to shape an historic new role for a First Lady.

In my letter, I took the liberty of suggesting that once you found your area of interest, you not only champion the cause, become its chief spokesperson and "saleswoman", but once legislation is passed, you have the unique opportunity to see to its effective implementation. I doubt you saw my letter (the mail situation in my own office is bad enough), but I am delighted to observe what you have done and are doing with health care reform. Clearly, your own thinking led you to similar conclusions about the contribution you can make, and I cheer your courage.

Before this letter gets much longer, I would like to make a request and give you yet another message from my mother.

First, the request: As you make plans to travel the country, I would ask you to consider coming to California's 49th Congressional District (which I represent) to speak about health care reform. While it is only a 39% Democratic district, it is a key swing area which the President carried and will have to carry again in order to win California in the future. While the

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district is primarily Republican and Perot, the voters are independent enough to be willing to listen. They had never before in the history of San Diego sent a Democrat to Congress.

It is also a district with very high voter turnout - over 260,000 people voted in the last election. Contrast that to an adjoining "Democratic" district where about 140,000 people turned out to vote. The margin in raw numbers could be very important to us. This district also is "home" to the third or fourth largest concentration of Biotech firms in the country, the UCSD Medical School, 11 large hospitals including the regional VA, the Balboa Naval Hospital (one of the largest in the country), the University of California Medical Center and the world famous Scripps Clinic and Research Institute. There are many other reasons why I believe you should seriously consider such a visit and I would be pleased to discuss it further with your staff.

Second, my mother's message: She was delighted that I delivered her first message to you and now has another. She observed that many Vice Presidents follow in the footsteps of the Presidents they serve and run for the highest office themselves. It is her view that you should take on this role of succession, shifting it from the Vice Presidency to the First Lady. I know there are many "political lifetimes" between now and the year 2000, but being a dutiful daughter (and one who heartily endorses her mother's point of view) I am obliged to pass on this recommendation along with the hope that no one dismisses out of hand the possibility of Hillary Rodham Clinton leading the Democratic ticket in the year 2000.

Best personal regards,



Lynn Schenk
Member of Congress

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Dear Hillary,

Thank you so much for giving so generously of your time! It was a very special treat to meet privately with you to discuss a matter of mutual interest — health care reform.

I am also most appreciative of your offer to come to San Diego on my behalf. Your presence would be a real boost to my campaign efforts — to say nothing of my campaign coffers! As you suggested, I will contact Milan to decide upon a date in the late summer or fall.
Warm regards,
Lynn

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P.S. Steve Ricchetti is wonderful to work with!