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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

THE REPUBLICAN SENATE-HOUSE DINNER
Washington Hilton Hotel
Tuesday - April 15, 1975

Departure: 8:00 A.M.

Attire: Black Tie, Long Dress

From: Terry O'Donnell

BACKGROUND

This year's Republican Senate-House Dinner is expected to gross less but net more than last year's dinner, which for a non-campaign year is encouraging.

You and Mrs. Ford will arrive after the General Reception and just prior to the beginning of the Dinner and will stay for the dinner service and the program.

Background on the dinner provided by Mr. Hartmann is attached at TAB A.

SEQUENCE

8:00 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford board motorcade on South Grounds

and depart en route Washington Hilton Hotel.

8:10 p.m. Arrive Washington Hilton Hotel where you will be met

by Mary Louise Smith, Chairman, Republican National

Committee.

PRESS POOL PHOTO COVERAGE

8:12 p.m. Escorted by Mrs. Smith, you and Mrs. Ford proceed to the off-stage announcement area where you will be met by Senator Ted Stevens (R-Ak), Chairman,

Republican Senatorial Committee, Rep. Guy Vander Jagt (R-Mi), Chairman, Republican Congressional Campaign Committee, and Mr. O.C.

Carmichael.

8:15 p.m.

"Ruffles and Flourishes"
Announcement
"Hail to the Chief"

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE ATTENDANCE: 1,200

You and Mrs. Ford proceed to Table #15 and remain standing.

NOTE:

There will be no head table, as guests will be seated throughout the ballroom at "rounds". The guests at your table were chosen at random -- see TAB B for complete list.

8:18 p.m. 8:20 p.m. 8:23 p.m. 8:25 p.m. Invocation.
National Anthem
Pledge of Allegiance
Dinner is served.

NOTE: Comedian Mark Russell will entertain during dinner service.

9:40 p.m.

Dinner concludes.

9:40 p.m.

Senator Stevens and Mary Louise Smith will arrive at your table to escort you to the stage where you take your seat.

9:41 p.m.

Senator Stevens introduces Mary Louise Smith for remarks.

9:45 p.m.

Mrs. Smith introduces Rep. Vander Jagt for introduction of Freshmen Republican Congressmen.

9:50 p.m.

Senator Stevens introduces Freshmen Republican Senators.

9:53 p.m.

Senator Stevens introduces you.

10:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

10:20 p.m.

Remarks conclude. Remain standing while Senator Stevens invites all the guests to begin dancing.

10:23 p.m.

You return to your table. Dancing music begins.

NOTE: You and Mrs. Ford may stay as long as you wish.

10:45 p.m. (Approx.)

You and Mrs. Ford depart table, proceed to motorcade, board and depart en route the White House.

11:00 p.m.

Arrive South Grounds.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 14, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ROBERT T. HARTMANN

SUBJECT: Republican Senate-House Dinner, April 15

Background Information

The Republican Senate-House Dinner which you will attend the evening of April 15 at the Washington Hilton Hotel is an annual \$1,000 per plate fundraising event. Proceeds are divided among the Republican National Committee, the National Republican Congressional Committee and the Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee.

Last year you attended this same event. Fewer tickets have been sold for this year's event. However, according to the RNC the net proceeds are expected to be higher this year due to much lighter sales expenses than last year.

Approximately 1,000 to 1,100 persons are expected to attend.

Vice President Rockefeller, who had planned to attend, will be unable to do so due to his trip to Taiwan.

Among those greeting you will be Senator Ted Stevens, Chairman of the Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee; Representative Guy Vander Jagt, Chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee; and Mary Louise Smith, Chairman of the Republican National Committee.

Senator Stevens, Representative Vander Jagt and Mrs. Smith will make brief remarks preceding your address. Senator Stevens will introduce you.

G.O.P. Donors Are Shunning a \$1,000-a-Plate Fete

Ry CHRISTOPHER LYDON

Special to The New York Times

WASHINGTON, April 13—

Even with President Ford's help, the big annual Republican fund raiser on Tuesday night for House and Senate candidates will take in less money than last year's dinner did

Washington at the bottom of the party's Watergate depression.

According to the

PRESIDENTIAL TABLE GUESTS

MR. AND MRS. JAMES MARKS, FLORIDA

MR. ROBERT BATEMAN OF VIRGINIA

MR. JAMES FRYE OF VIRGINIA

MR. ROBERT F. DRISCOLL, NEW YORK CITY

MR. HENRY A. HARRIS, NEW YORK CITY

MISS GAIL SHIFFLET, YOUNG REPUBLICAN

MR. MIKE LOMBARD, YOUNG REPUBLICAN

"People" May - May 5, 75

STARTRACKS

Betty boogies >

The GOP fund-raising dinner was the smallest in over a decade, which meant that the Washington Hilton Hotel had more room for denoing than over. This

