

SENATOR BOB DOLE

ROCHESTER GOP EVENT

**AS A I MEET WITH CANDIDATES IN
WASHINGTON AND TRAVEL ACROSS THE
COUNTRY CAMPAIGNING, I SEE A LOT OF
SURVEY AND POLL NUMBERS. NOW, I'VE
BEEN A LITTLE BIT SKEPTICAL ABOUT
SURVEYS EVER SINCE MY POLLSTER**

**WHISTLED "HAIL TO THE CHIEF" TO ME
HERE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE...BUT WHEN
YOU SURVEY AFTER SURVEY AFTER
SURVEY SAYING THE SAME THING, YOU
BEGIN TO BELIEVE.**

**AND THE SURVEYS I'VE SEEN IN
THE PAST FEW WEEKS, IN EVER SECTION
OF THE COUNTRY, ARE ALL BRINGING
GOOD NEWS TO REPUBLICANS.
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES ARE NOT ONLY**

**AHEAD IN THE RACES WHERE WE
SHOULD BE AHEAD; BUT WE'RE ALSO
AHEAD IN RACES WHICH WE THOUGHT
WOULD BE VERY CLOSE, AND WE'RE
EVEN AHEAD OR CLOSE IN RACES THAT
WE HAD ALL BEEN WRITTEN OFF.**

**AND AS I LOOK AT THE SURVEYS,
ONE NUMBER COMES TO MY MIND. THE
NUMBER 47. A GAIN OF 40 SEATS IN
THE HOUSE, AND A GAIN OF 7 SEATS IN**

**THE SENATE, WILL GIVE REPUBLICANS
CONTROL OF THE CONGRESS FOR THE
FIRST TIME IN 40 YEARS. AND WHEN
RENEE DAVISON IS ELECTED, THAT
NUMBER WILL BE 46.**

**THERE'S A LOT OF REASONS WHY
THE NUMBERS ARE GOING OUR WAY.
AND ONE REASON CAN BE SEEN IN THE
FACT THAT, ACCORDING TO ONE RECENT
SURVEY, 70% OF AMERICANS BELIEVE**

**AMERICA IS MOVING IN THE WRONG
DIRECTION.**

**AND NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, UNDER
THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION AND THE
LIBERAL DEMOCRAT CONGRESS, AMERICA
IS MOVING IN THE WRONG DIRECTION IN
JUST ABOUT EVERY AREA YOU CAN
NAME.**

**TAXES? PRESIDENT CLINTON'S
DIRECTION IS ONE THAT INVOLVED THE**

BIGGEST TAX INCREASE IN AMERICAN HISTORY.

**GOVERNMENT? DESPITE THE TALK
OF REINVENTING GOVERNMENT,
PRESIDENT CLINTON IS MOVING IN THE
DIRECTION OF UNRELENTING
GOVERNMENT. MORE BUREAUCRATS.
MORE MANDATES. MORE REGULATION.
MORE CONTROL FOR THOSE WHO WORK
IN WASHINGTON, D.C., AND LESS**

**CONTROL FOR THOSE WHO LIVE AND
WORK IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.**

**HEALTH CARE? YOU KNOW THE
DIRECTION THE PRESIDENT WAS
RECOMMENDING. A DIRECTION WHERE
THE BEST HEALTH CARE SYSTEM IN THE
WORLD WOULD BE TORN APART AND
TURNED OVER TO THE FEDERAL
GOVERNMENT.**

ON MONDAY, SENATOR MITCHELL

**OFFICIALLY PULLED THE PLUG ON
HEALTH CARE REFORM. AND THE
DEMOCRATS AND SOME IN THE MEDIA
ARE BLAMING REPUBLICANS. THEY'RE
BLAMING THE SO CALLED SPECIAL
INTERESTS. THEY'RE BLAMING THE
AMERICAN PEOPLE.**

**THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS THAT
IF THE HEALTH CARE DEBATE PROVED
ONE THING, IT**

**PROVED THAT DEMOCRACY WORKS. AN
IDEA WAS PUT FORWARD. IT WAS
DEBATED, DISCUSSED, AND DISSECTED
AT KITCHEN TABLES AND COFFEE SHOPS
AND TOWN HALLS ACROSS THE
COUNTRY. AND THEN THE PEOPLE CAME
TO AN OVERWHELMING CONCLUSION.**

**THEIR CONCLUSION WAS THE
CLINTON PLAN, AND THE MITCHELL
PLAN, AND THE GEPHARDT PLAN**

**CONTAINED TOO MUCH OF A LOT OF
THINGS. TOO MUCH CONFUSION. TOO
MUCH BUREAUCRACY. TOO MANY
REGULATIONS. TOO MANY LOST JOBS.
TOO MUCH COST.**

**AND IN RECORD NUMBERS OF
CALLS AND LETTERS, THEY LET THEIR
REPRESENTATIVES KNOW HOW THEY
FELT. AND CONGRESS RESPONDED. IT
SEEMS TO ME THAT'S JUST HOW**

DEMOCRACY SHOULD WORK.

**CONGRESS WILL BE BACK NEXT
YEAR, AND HEALTH CARE WILL BE ON
TOP OF THE AGENDA. I SAID THE OTHER
DAY THAT WE SHOULD BE "WHACKED" IF
WE DONT' HELP THE PEOPLE WHO NEED
HELP. AND THAT'S WHAT REPUBLICANS
WANT TO DO. THAT'S WHAT BOB DOLE
WANTS TO DO. AND THAT'S WHAT
RENEE DAVISON WANTS TO DO.**

**WHAT WE DON'T WANT, HOWEVER,
IS A PLAN THAT WILL DESTROY THE
QUALITY, CHOICE, AND FREEDOM, THAT
AMERICAN HAVE COME TO EXPECT.**

**CRIME IS ANOTHER AREA WHERE
PRESIDENT CLINTON AND THE
DEMOCRAT CONGRESS MOVED IN THE
WRONG DIRECTION. THEIR PLAN WAS TO
THROW BILLIONS AND BILLIONS OF
DOLLARS AT SOCIAL PROGRAMS, AND TO**

**STRIP THE BILL OF MANY OF ITS
TOUGHEST PROVISIONS.**

**AND CAN ANYONE HERE LOOK AT
THE FOREIGN POLICY OF THE CLINTON
ADMINISTRATION AND SAY WE'RE
HEADED IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION?**

**TO PARAPHRASE FORREST GUMP,
THE "CLINTON HEALTH CARE PLAN IS
LIKE A BOX OF CHOCOLATES--YOU NEVER**

**KNOW WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO GET
NEXT."**

**ONE DAY, THOSE IN CHARGE IN
HAITI ARE BLOODTHIRSTY, MURDERING,
TYRANTS. THE NEXT DAY, THEY'RE JUST
HONEST PUBLIC SERVANTS WHO CARE
ABOUT THEIR COUNTRY.**

**ONE DAY, WE TALK TOUGH ON
BOSNIA. THE NEXT DAY WE SIT IDLY BY
AS THE SLAUGHTER CONTINUES.**

**ONE DAY, OUR MISSION IN
SOMALIA IS PREVENTING STARVATION.
THE NEXT DAY IT'S NATION BUILDING,
AND AMERICAN SOLDIERS ARE BEING
SHOT.**

**ONE DAY, PRESIDENT CLINTON IS
IN CHARGE OF OUR FOREIGN POLICY, THE
NEXT DAY IT'S BOUTROS BOUTROS
GHALI, AND THE NEXT DAY, IT'S JIMMY
CARTER.**

**SO, YES, REPUBLICANS ARE BEING
HELPED BY THE CLINTON
ADMINISTRATION.**

**AND THERE ARE SOME WHO HAVE
SUGGESTED THAT ALL REPUBLICANS
NEED TO DO IN THE NEXT 44 DAYS IS
NOTHING. DO NOTHING. SIT STILL, AND
LET PRESIDENT CLINTON SEND VOTERS
OUR WAY.**

**I DISAGREE. I THINK REPUBLICANS
HAVE TO DO MORE. IT'S NOT GOOD
ENOUGH JUST TO SAY PRESIDENT
CLINTON AND THE DEMOCRATS ARE
TAKING US IN THE WRONG DIRECTION.
WE ALSO HAVE TO LAY OUT WHAT THE
RIGHT DIRECTION IS, AND HOW
REPUBLICANS WILL GET US THERE.
AND THAT'S JUST WHAT THE**

**SENATE AND HOUSE REPUBLICANS DID
THESE PAST TWO WEEKS.**

**WE MADE A LITTLE COMPACT WITH
THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. WE SAID IF YOU
GIVE US SEVEN MORE REPUBLICANS IN
THE SENATE, IF YOU GIVE US 40 MORE
REPUBLICANS IN THE HOUSE, THEN HERE
ARE SOME IDEAS WE'LL BRING TO THE
FLOOR.**

IDEAS LIKE:

***A BALANCED BUDGET
AMENDMENT**

***DOUBLING THE INCOME TAX
EXEMPTION FOR CHILDREN, THEREBY
PUTTING MORE MONEY IN THE POCKETS
OF AMERICA'S FAMILIES.**

***REPEALING THE CLINTON TAX
INCREASE ON SOCIAL SECURITY
BENEFITS.**

***TRUE ANTI-CRIME LEGISLATION**

**THAT IS BASED ON PRISONS AND
PUNISHMENT,
RATHER THAN THE PORK BARREL.**

***WELFARE REFORM BASED ON
WORK, MORE INDIVIDUAL
RESPONSIBILITY, AND LESS FEDERAL
SPENDING.**

***AND WE'LL STOP THE GUTTING OF
OUR NATIONAL DEFENSE.**

**THOSE ARE JUST A FEW IDEAS
THAT WILL PUT AMERICA ON THE RIGHT
TRACK. AND I CAN THINK OF SOME
MORE, LIKE A LINE ITEM VETO, AND LIKE
A REDUCTION IN THE CAPITAL GAINS
TAX RATE.**

**LET ME TELL YOU ANOTHER
REASON WHY REPUBLICANS CAN'T JUST
SIT ON THE SIDELINES. WHY WE HAVE
TO GET OUT AND LET AMERICANS KNOW**

**WHAT WE'D DO IF WE HAD A MAJORITY
IN CONGRESS.**

**AND THAT'S THE FACT THAT MANY
AMERICANS DON'T KNOW THAT
CONGRESS IS CONTROLLED BY THE
DEMOCRATS. IN FACT, A RECENT
SURVEY ASKED AMERICANS TO NAME
THE PARTY IN CONTROL OF CONGRESS.
AND ONLY 60% SAID THE DEMOCRATS.
40% SAID THE REPUBLICANS, OR SAID**

THEY DIDN'T KNOW.

**NOW, I KNOW 100% OF THIS
AUDIENCE KNOWS THE DEMOCRATS ARE
IN CONTROL....SO THERE ARE AN AWFUL
LOT OF YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS
WHO ARE CONFUSED...AND WHO NEED TO
KNOW THAT THE DEMOCRATS HAVE
CONTROLLED THE HOUSE FOR THE LAST
40 YEARS, AND THE SENATE FOR 34 OF
THE LAST 40 YEARS.**

**AND THE MESSAGE I'LL BE TAKING
FROM END OF THE COUNTRY TO THE
OTHER OVER THE NEXT 44 DAYS, IS
THAT THE BEST WAY TO GET AMERICA
TO CHANGE DIRECTION, IS TO CHANGE
THE PARTY THAT CONTROLS CONGRESS.**

**LET ME END THIS AFTERNOON BY
GIVING YOU A LITTLE "INSIDER'S
BRIEFING"**

**ABOUT THE GAINS WE HOPE TO MAKE IN
THE SENATE.**

**I HAVE PUT FOUR REPUBLICAN
GAINS IN THE BANK. OLYMPIA SNOWE
IN MAINE. JOHN KYL IN ARIZONA. AND
MIKE DEWINE IN OHIO, AND I'VE JUST
ADDED OLLIE NORTH IN VIRGINIA.**

**AFTER THAT, WE ARE LOOKING TO
CALIFORNIA WHERE OUR CANDIDATE HAS**

**COME FROM NOWHERE TO NECK AND
NECK. AND THERE'S MASSACHUSETTS,
WHERE MITT ROMNEY IS GIVING TED
KENNEDY THE RACE OF HIS CAREER.
AND THERE'S TWO RACES IN TENNESSEE.
JIM SASSER, ONE OF THE MOST LIBERAL
DEMOCRATS IN THE SENATE, IS SO
SCARED, HE'S RUNNING ADS THAT MAKE
YOU THINK HE VOTES JUST LIKE JESSE
HELMS. AND THERE'S PENNSYLVANIA,**

**WHERE DEMOCRAT HARRIS WOFFORD IS
TRYING TO MAKE VOTERS FORGET HE
WAS THE STRONGEST SUPPORTER OF
THE CLINTON HEALTH PLAN. AND
THERE'S MICHIGAN WHERE SPENCE
ABRAHAM IS MOVING AHEAD OF A VERY
LIBERAL DEMOCRAT CONGRESSMAN.**

**WE'RE ALSO OPTIMISTIC ABOUT
OUR CHANCES IN GOVERNOR'S
RACES...AND WHAT A VICTORY IT WOULD**

**BE IF GEORGE PATAKI WERE TO WIN
HERE IN NEW YORK. WE'RE ALSO
LOOKING AT GAINS IN FLORIDA,
PENNSYLVANIA, AND MAYBE EVEN
TEXAS AND GEORGIA. IN FACT, AFTER
NOVEMBER, THERE IS A CHANCE THAT 11
OF OUR 12 LARGEST STATES WILL HAVE
REPUBLICAN GOVERNORS.**

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU ARE
DOING FOR REPUBLICANS HERE IN**

**ROCHESTER, AND THANK YOU FOR ALL
YOU WILL DO IN THE NEXT 44 DAYS.
WORKING TOGETHER, WE CAN CHANGE
DIRECTIONS, AND PUT AMERICA BACK
ON TRACK.**

Bob Dole

U.S. SENATOR FOR KANSAS
SENATE REPUBLICAN LEADER



NEWS

FROM:

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Saturday, October 1, 1994

Contact: Clarkson Hine
(202) 224-5358

HAITI OCCUPATION

MISSION LEAP, NOT MISSION CREEP, PLAGUES U.S. POLICY

ROCHESTER, NY -- Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole today issued the following statement:

"Televised images of bloody Haitian-on-Haitian violence reinforce questions the American people have about the U.S. military occupation of Haiti. The Administration told Congress on Monday that 15,000 troops would be the upper limit of our deployment. By week's end, some 20,000 American soldiers were deployed in Haiti. After the President and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff said U.S. troops would not become Haiti's police force, American troops are televised arresting Haitians, patrolling streets, and halting looters. That sounds like police work to me. The size, mission and rules of engagement for American forces change constantly. This is not just 'mission creep' it's mission leap."

"America has no interests at stake which justify the occupation of Haiti. American policy is moving in the wrong direction -- more troops, more missions, and more responsibility for governing Haiti. Now is the time to move in the direction of withdrawal not expansion."

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Pre-Victory Breakfast with Senator Bob Dole

HEAD TABLE

David Flaum

Board of Elections Commissioner Ron Starkweather

Monroe County Republican Chairman Steve Minarik

County Clerk Margaret DeFrancisco

Congressman Bill Paxon

PODIUM

Senator Bob Dole

Renee Davison

County Executive Bob King

Gerard DiMarco

TO: Senator Dole
FR: Kerry

*FYI, Mrs. Dole is scheduled to be in Rochester on October 14 and 15 for Red Cross meetings.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1994

9:45 am- ATTEND/SPEAK Fundraising Breakfast for Rene Davison

10:15 am

Location: Banquet Hall

Attendance: 800 - 1,000 @ \$150 per person

Event runs: 9:30 - 10:15 am

Press: Open

Facility: Riser, Podium and mic, headtable

Format: 9:50 am Bill Paxon introduces Senator Dole

9:55 am Senator Dole gives remarks

Contact: Kerry Locke

716/546-8040

716/546-8519 fax

SCHEDULE

FINAL

Contact: Mo Taggart
504/861-7365
Beep 800/946-4646
pin # 1115689

**SENATOR DOLE SCHEDULE -- SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 1 - NEW YORK
AND OHIO**

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1994

4:35 pm DEPART Capitol for National Airport
Driver: Wilbert

4:50 pm ARRIVE airport and proceed to departing aircraft
FBO: Signature
703/419-8440

4:55 pm DEPART Washington for New York, NY
FBO: Signature
Aircraft: Falcon 50 (AFLAC)
Tail number: N500AF
Flight time: 1 hour
Pilots: Ed Garvin
Ken Bradley
Seats: 10
Meal: Snack
Manifest: Senator Dole
Nelson Rockefeller
Mark Miller
Gary Allen, Asist. VP, Government Relations,
AFLAC

5:55 pm ARRIVE New York, NY/Laguardia
FBO: Signature
718/476-5200

Met by: Howard DiMartini, Campaign Chairman

6:00 pm DEPART airport for Fundraising Reception for Bernadette Castro
Driver: Provided by Goldcrest Limo Service
Drive time: 40 minutes (due to rush hour)
Location: Plaza Hotel
768 Fifth Ave

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1994**PAGE 2**

6:40 pm ARRIVE Plaza Hotel
212/759-3000
212/759-3167 fax

6:40 pm- ATTEND/SPEAK Fundrasing Reception for Bernadette Castro

7:30 pm Location: State Room
 Attendance: 100 @ \$500 per person
 Event runs: 5:30 - 7:30 pm
 Press: Open
 Facility: Podium and mic
 Format: Photos
 6:45 pm Ed Cox introduces Senator Dole
 6:50 pm Senator Dole gives remarks and introduces
 Bernadette Castro
 7:00 pm Bernadette Castro gives remarks
 7:10 pm Mix and mingle
 Contact: Laura Eisenberg
 516/352-5100
 516/352-7131 fax

7:25 pm DEPART Plaza Hotel for Fundraising Dinner for Bernadette Castro

 Driver: Provided by Goldcrest Limo Service
 Drive time: 10 minutes
 Location: Home of Lew and Judy Eisenberg
 895 Park Avenuc, Apt. 1C

7:35 pm ARRIVE Eisenberg Residence
212/737-0926

7:35 pm- ATTEND Fundraising Dinner for Bernadette Castro

8:45 pm Attendance: 15 @ \$1,000 per person
 Event runs: 7:30 - 10:00 pm
 Press: Closed
 Facility: None
 Format: Seated dinner, no remarks
 Contact: Laura Eisenberg
 516/352-5100
 516/352-7131 fax

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1994**PAGE 3****ATTENDEES:**

Dr. Peter Guida, cardio-vascular surgcon, New York Hospital, and
Bernadette Castro Guida
Lewis and Judy Eisenberg
Henry and Marie Josce Kravis, Founding Partner Kolbert, Kravis &
Roberts
Joseph and Nancy Plumeri, Pres. of Traveler's Insurance and past Pres.
of Smith Barney
Thomas "Dusty" and Gleaves Rhodes, Pres. of National Review and past
partner Goldman, Sachs & Co.
James and MaryLou McCann, Pres. & CEO 1 800 Flowers
Stephen Schwarzman and Christine Hearst, Pres. & CEO Blackstone
Group

9:05 pm DEPART Eisenberg Residence for Laguardia

Driver: Provided by Goldcrest Limo Service
Drive time: 20 minutes

9:25 pm ARRIVE Laguardia

FBO: Signature
718/476-5200

9:30 pm DEPART New York for Rochester

FBO: Wilair Jet East Terminal;
Aircraft: Falcon 50 (AFLAC)
Tail number: N500AF
Flight time: 1 hour
Pilots: Ed Garvin
Ken Bradley
Seats: 10
Meal: Snack
Manifest: Senator Dole
Nelson Rockefeller
Mark Miller
Gary Allen, Asist. VP, Government Relations,
AFLAC

10:30 pm ARRIVE Rochester, NY

FBO: Wilair Jet East Terminal
716/328-2720
Met by: Gerry DiMarco, Sr. & Gerry DiMarco, Jr.
716/423-0230
716/442-0180 (h), 716/232-3164 fax

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1994**PAGE 4**

10:35 pm DEPART airport for Hyatt Regency Hotel

Driver: Gerry DiMarco, Jr.
Drive time: 10 minutes
Location: 125 Main Street

10:45 pm ARRIVE Hyatt Regency

716/546-1234
716/546-6160

RON----Rochester, NY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1994

8:25 am DEPART hotel room for Campaign America Event

Location: Room 2407

8:30 am ATTEND Campaign America Event

Location: Room 2407
Attendance: 6-7 @ \$
Event runs: 8:30 - 8:55 pm
Press: Closed
Facility: None
Format: Informal seated discussions
Contact: Mark Miller

9:00 am DEPART Hotel for Fundraising Reception & Breakfast for Rene Davison

Driver: Gerry DiMarco, Jr.
Drive time: 15 minutes
Location: Arena's Banquet Center
767 Holt Road
Webster, NY

9:15 am- ARRIVE/SPEAK Fundraising VIP Reception for Rene Davison

9:45 am Location: Webster Room
Attendance: 15-20 @ \$1,000 per person
Event runs: 8:45 am - 9:45 am
Press: Closed
Facility: None
Format: Mix and mingle
Photos
Contact: Kerry Locke
716/546-8040
716/546-8519 fax

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 Facility: Riser, Podium and mic, headtable
 Format: 9:50 am Bill Paxon introduces Senator Dole
 9:55 am Senator Dole gives remarks
 Contact: Kerry Locke
 716/546-8040
 716/546-8519 fax

NOTE: There may be press who will stop and ask questions as you depart event. I have built in 10 minutes if this should take place.

10:25 am DEPART hotel for airport

Driver: Gerry DiMarco, Jr.
Drive time: 20 minutes

10:45 am ARRIVE airport and proceed to departing aircraft

FBO: Wilair Jet East Terminal
 716/328-2720

10:50 am DEPART Rochester for Cincinnati, OH/Lunken Field

FBO: Stevens Aviation
Aircraft: Falcon 50 (AFLAC)
Tail number: N500AF
Flight time: 1 hour 15 minutes
Pilots: Ed Garvin
 Ken Bradley
Scats: 10
Meal: Lunch
Manifest: Senator Dole
 Nelson Rockefeller
 Gary Allen VP, Government Relations,
 AFLAC

12:20 pm ARRIVE Cincinnati, OH/Lunken Field

FBO: Stevens Aviation
 513/871-8600

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1994**Page 6**

12:25 pm DEPART airport for Fundraising Brunch for Mike DeWine

Driver: Buck Neihoff
Drive time: 10 minutes
Location: 1243 West Rookwood Drive

12:35 pm ARRIVE Home of Viea Taylor

513/871-4036

Met by: Karl Gallant
Attendance: 100 @ \$500 per person
Event runs: 12:00 - 2:00 pm
Press: Closed
Facility: No podium and mic
Format: Gene Ruehman, County Chairman, introduces Mike DeWine
Mike Dewine gives remarks and introduces Senator Dole
Senator Dole gives remarks
Contact: Barbara Briggs
614/224-3880
614/224-3339 fax

1:30 pm- Press Avail with Mike DeWine

1:45 pm Location: Driveway of home

1:45 pm DEPART for the airport

Driver: Buck Neihoff
Drive time: 10 minutes

1:55 pm ARRIVE airport

FBO: Stevens Aviation
513/871-8600

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2:00 pm DEPART Cincinnati for Washington/National

FBO: Signature
Aircraft: Falcon 50 (AFLAC)
Tail number: N500AF
Flight time: 1 hour
Pilots: Ed Garvin
Ken Bradley
Seats: 10
Meal: Snack
Manifest: Senator Dole
Nelson Rockefeller
Gary Allen, Asist. VP, Government Relations,
AFLAC

3:00 pm ARRIVE Washington/National

FBO: Signature
703/419-8440

3:05 pm DEPART airport for Watergate

Driver: Wilbert

3:20 pm ARRIVE Watergate

BIOS

BERNADETTE CASTRO U.S.SENATE

Bernadette Castro

Bernadette Castro first entered public life at the age of 4, when her father, Bernard Castro, made her the star of his soon-to-become legendary television commercials for the family business product, Castro Convertibles.

After earning her undergraduate degree, Bernadette Castro was elected to the Phi Kappa Phi honor society for her work in winning her Masters degree in Secondary School Administration, both at the University of Florida.

Following her stewardship of the family business, Bernadette crafted the 1993 sale of the Castro furniture division. She then turned her attention to management of the family real estate holdings.

Bernadette Castro has remained in the public eye, as a spokesperson for Castro Convertibles and as a sought-after motivational speaker to students, on the subject of attaining success in business life.

Bernadette Castro is married to Dr. Peter M. Guida. She has four children: daughter Terri is an Assistant District Attorney; son David is in law school; sons Jonathan and Bernard are in college. The family resides in the town of Huntington.

Friends of Bernadette Castro

Friends of Bernadette Castro
1990 Jericho Turnpike
New Hyde Park, NY 11040
Telephone: 516/352/5100

PR-14-1994 10:35

RENEE FORGENSI DAVISON

Biographical Sketch

A first-time candidate for elective office, Renee Forgens Davison won election to the Monroe County Legislature with over 65% of the vote. In endorsing her for election, the liberal Gannett Rochester Newspapers cited, "her ability to understand her way around legal and bureaucratic mazes" and characterized her as, "bright, capable and knowledgeable."

In recognition of her leadership ability and keen understanding of government, Renee was the first freshman legislator ever selected to Chair the important Human Services Committee in the Legislature, a committee with oversight responsibility of over 60% of the Monroe County Budget.

Utilizing her prestigious committee position, Renee is leading the fight in the Legislature on welfare reform and reducing duplicative and inefficient government operations. She has initiated legislation creating a major study identifying waste and possible cost reduction measures in mandated and non-mandated services.

Renee also serves in the Legislature as the Vice-Chair of the Transportation Committee and as member of the Task Force on Broadcast Access and the Women's Advisory Committee. Other notable legislation of Renee's include prime sponsor of Monroe County's successful term limitations and legislative compensation reform propositions.

Presently an attorney in general practice, Renee enjoys an extensive legal background including work with the U.S. Justice Department as a trustee, law clerk for a Supreme Court Justice and municipal work as town and village attorney.

In her spare time, Renee serves on the Boards of Monroe Community Hospital and the Family Resource Network and is active in the Webster Childcare Center Cooperative, New York State Bar Association, Monroe County Bar Association and Greater Rochester Association for Women Attorneys. She enjoys cross-country skiing and camping.

Renee Forgens Davison was born October 3, 1957. She was graduated from Webster Thomas High School. In 1980, she gained a Bachelor of Arts from Wells College and in 1984 was graduated from Syracuse University College of Law. Renee and her husband Mark have two children and reside in the Village of Webster.

NEW YORK

Eunice B. Whittlesey
National Committeewoman



Present

National Committeewoman, New York, elected - April 13, 1977
Board Member, National Museum Services Board

Previous

Vice Chairman, New York Republican State Committee, 1970 - 1977
Presidential Elector, 1972, 1980
Member, National Steering Committee, Bush for President
Presidential Scholars Commission, 1982 - 1985
Legislative Liaison, New York State Committee on Commerce and Economic Development
Legislative Liaison, Interstate Cooperation
Advisory Committee, Maritime Association of Ports of New York and New Jersey, 1989
Executive Director, New York Statue of Liberty Celebration Foundation

RNC Activity

Delegate, Republican National Convention, 1972, 1976, 1980, 1984, 1988
Member, RNC Advisory Council
Chairman, Committee on Housing, Republican National Convention, 1980
Member, RNC Executive Committee, 1982 - 1984
Member, Committee on Arrangements, Republican National Convention, 1984, 1988, 1992

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NEW YORK

Joseph Mondello National Committeeman



Present

National Committeeman, New York, elected - August 18, 1992
Executive Committeeman, Levittown West Republican
Committee, 1974 -
Chairman, Town of Hempstead Republican Committee, 1983 -
Chairman, Nassau County Republican Committee, 1983 -
Brigadier General, New York Guard, 1990 -
Nassau County Bar Association
Nassau Lawyer's Association
Columbia Lawyers Guild
Order Sons of Italy in America
Ancient Order of Hibernians
Presiding Supervisor, Town of Hempstead, 1987 - 1993

Previous

Councilman, Town of Hempstead, 1979 - 1987

RNC Activity

Member, RNC Rules Committee, 1993 -

Personal

Spouse: Linda
Children: Three
Education: B.A., Hofstra College;
J.D., New England School of Law

164 Post Avenue
Westbury, NY 11590

(516) 334-5800 (o)
(516) 333-4406 (f)

NEW YORK

William Powers Chairman



Present

Chairman, New York Republican State Committee, elected -
January 14, 1991
Chairman, National Republican State Chairmen's Advisory
Committee, 1993

Previous

Director, State Operations, U.S. Senator Alfonse D'Amato,
1980 - 1991
Chairman, Rensselaer County Republican Committee, 1985 -
1991
Campaign Consultant, New York State Campaign Committee,
1989 - 1991
Director, Member Services, New York State Assembly, 1978 -
1980
Director, Campaign Operations, Duryea for Governor, 1978 - 1979
Director, Field Operations, New York State Assembly, 1976 -
1978
Jaycees Outstanding Young Men of America, 1976
United States Marine Corps, 1961 - 1966

RNC Activity

Member, Committee on Call, Republican National Convention,
1992
Member, RNC Budget Committee, 1992
Chairman, New York Delegation to the Republican National
Convention, 1992
Delegate, Republican National Convention, 1992

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CASTRO RECEIPT.

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Bernadette Castro

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7:10 pm Mix and mingle

Contact: Laura Eisenberg

516/352-5100

516/352-7131 fax

TALKING POINTS

Senator Dole

Castro for Senate Fundraiser

- You may remember Bernadette Castro as the little girl in the television commercials who used to put New York to sleep. Well, that was then and this is now, and Bernadette Castro is going to wake New York up!
- Some people say she's running against one of the legends of American politics. She's not running against a legend -- she's running against the Moynihan Myth. And when New Yorkers learn not what Moynihan says he'll do, but how he's voted in the Senate, she's going to pierce that myth.
- On Evans and Novak last week Moynihan said maybe the time has come for a middle class tax cut, and he suggested it could be done through increasing the dependent exemption. What he didn't tell you was that he and his fellow Democrats had a chance to increase the dependent exemption to provide tax fairness to middle income families earlier this year -- and he voted against it!
- Senator Moynihan was one of the architects of Bill Clinton's 1993 tax increase -- the largest tax increase in our history. That tax increase included making Social Security benefits subject to income taxes -- not for retired millionaires, but for retired working people, couples earning \$32,000 a year and retired single people making only \$25,000 a year.
- I've been told that his television ads here in New York brag about how he protects Social Security. I'm sure that rings true to the millions of retirees here in New York whose income taxes have gone up because of Moynihan's Social Security tax increases.
- In fact, Senator Moynihan has voted for the five largest tax increases in history. So who better for the Democrats to make Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee. The Senate Finance Committee, in reality, is the Senate's tax-writing committee. And Moynihan has given us a glimpse of what he would do when it comes to new taxes.
- He told the Los Angeles Times in an interview that even if the federal budget had a surplus, gasoline taxes should be raised thirty to fifty cents a gallon.
- He says that all Social Security income should be taxed just like any other pension income.
- And he favors a BTU tax that includes home heating oil, even if it means hardship for the people in Buffalo and Rochester, where the winters get a little cold.

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- Moynihan doesn't just like raising taxes. He also likes spending them.
- Let me tell you about a new federal building that's under construction in Washington. It's the largest government building put up since the Pentagon was built. It started during the Reagan Administration as a \$350 million building that was going to combine government and commercial use. Well, it had problems with the foundation -- water seepage, Washington is built on drained swampland, you know -- and by the time of the Bush Administration the construction was behind schedule, the price was rising, commercial clients were pulling out, and the Bush Administration decided to kill it.
- Guess who saved it? Senator Moynihan. At a cost of \$600 million. With finance charges, that building will ultimately cost the taxpayers as much as \$1.2 billion to house bureaucrats. The Moynihan Building -- that's what they wanted to name it, and that's how he thinks the taxpayers money should be spent during a recession.
- Now we can't afford -- New York can't afford and America can't afford -- six more years with Senator Moynihan as Chairman of the Senate tax-writing committee.
- And I have news for you -- the Republican Party is going to pick up seven new senators in 1994, and when we take control of the Senate in 1995 Moynihan won't be the Chairman of the tax-writing committee anymore. When the GOP takes over, it will become the tax-cutting committee!
- And Bernadette Castro is going to be one of our new senators.
- She's for a balanced budget amendment, he isn't.
- She's for the line-item veto, he isn't.
- She's for the repeal of income taxes on Social Security, he isn't.
- She will vote for tax relief for middle class families -- he'll philosophize about it.
- She has 16 years experience in the retail furniture business. She knows what it is to meet a payroll, she understands the bottom line, she knows what government regulation means to business. He has 17 years experience in the Senate, and we know what's happened to the bottom line, our payroll checks, and overregulation.
- Bernadette's been on the other side of Moynihan's tax barrage, and she's decided enough is enough.

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- This race reminds me of Christie Todd Whitman's race against Senator Bill Bradley in 1990. She never caught up to him in the polls, she was badly outspent, and when the election was over it was 48% for Whitman and 52% for Bradley. Everyone gave up on her, and that defeatism became a self-fulfilling prophesy.
- Let's not make New Jersey's mistake here in New York. Let's make this one end up 52% for Castro, and 48% for Moynihan.
- She has an uphill race. And if you read the polls today, you'd say she can't pull it off. You're wrong -- Bernadette Castro is going to pull it out and join us in the Republican Majority in the Senate in 1995.

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CASTRO RECGP.

DOLE	Event Date: 30 Sept		
Name (Attendees as of 28 Sept.)		Staff	
Ambassador, Dr. Pedro Blandino (Dominican Rep.)		Albuquerque, Janis	
Balestro, Todd		Castro, Bernadette	& Dr. Peter Guida
Blevins, Richard		Cosman, Ed	
Brady, Paul		Eisenberg, Laura	
Broxmeyer, Mark & Jennifer		Gordon, Gloria	
Buckvar, Tod		Harrington, Charles	
Castiglione, Frank	(Mr. & Mrs.)	Hawke, Mary	& Chris Hawke
Cloonan, Ned		Keogh, Terri	& Peter Keogh
Corrado, John J.		Larsen, Petra	
Cox, Edward F.		Linehan, Elizabeth	
Cutting, George W.		Poster, Tom	
Dale, Muriel		Rubman, Beverly	& Eric Eastman
de Schryver, Paul		Tully, Louise	
DeMartini, Howard & Helen			
Fox, Jay			
Foye, Patrick J.			
Frank, John			
Gabrielson, David			
Green, Howie			
Greene Cnty. Repub. Cmte.			
Hirschfeld, Abe			
Hunt, Peter	(Mr. & Mrs.)		
Kanas, John Adam			
Koeppel, Adolph			
Koeppel, Rhoda			
Krupp, Gary			
Lewis, Kent (Garden City Republican Leader Cmte)			
LoBianco, Anthony (Tony)			
Long, Billy & Anita			
Marchese, Al	(Mr. & Mrs.)		
Marchese-Cohn, Eileen			
Marlin, George J.			
McMillan, Robert			
Millard, Charles			
Osborne, Greg			
Paris, Tom or Charlie			
Pascucci, Robert	& Lisa Puntillo (wife)		
Positano, Rock, Dr.			
Pulling, Thomas L.			
Race, Bradford	& Mrs. Race		
Rodolitz, Gary			
Rosenberg, Ronald & Samara			
Sciame, Frank	(Mr. & Mrs.)		
Senator Robert Dole	& Party		
Senator Roy Goodman			
Soloway, Donna			
Zuriff, Lawrence			

CASTRO DINNER

7:35 pm- ATTEND Fundraising Dinner for Bernadette Castro
8:45 pm Attendance: 15 @ \$1,000 per person
[This document is from the collections at the Dole Archives, University of Kansas
http://dolearchives.ku.edu](http://dolearchives.ku.edu)

Event runs: 7:30 - 10:00 pm
Press: Closed
Facility: None
Format: Seated dinner, no remarks
Contact: Laura Eisenberg
516/352-5100
516/352-7131 fax

September 29, 1994

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: SENATOR DOLE
FROM: DENNIS SHEA
SUBJECT: DUSTY RHODES

I understand that you might run into Dusty Rhodes during your trip to New York. Dusty was helpful to me during my campaign for Congress in 1992.

As you know, Dusty is currently the President of National Review. In his former life, he was a partner at Goldman, Sachs.

Along with Dick Gilder, Dusty was instrumental in founding the Club for Political Growth, a group of supply-siders who meet periodically in New York for the purposes of listening to federal and state candidates. After grilling the candidates with questions, they then write checks (if they like what they hear). Other members of the Club for Political Growth include Lew Lehrman, Larry Kudlow, Herb London, and Ron Lauder.

During the 1992 campaign, Bill Clinton came to Dick Gilder's New York office to make his pitch. Clinton was not well-received.

Along with Dick and Virginia Gilder, Dusty is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Project for a Republican Future, Bill Kristol's operation.

Dusty occasionally calls the office to offer advice. Earlier this year, he encouraged you to jump on the unfunded mandates issue. I told him about your strong support for the Kempthorne bill. More recently, he called to congratulate you for fighting the crime bill.

Although I don't think capping legal immigration is a big issue for Dusty, it is a big one for John O'Sullivan, National Review's Publisher.

Sept. 27, 1994

MEMORANDUM FOR SENATOR DOLE

FR: Mark Miller *MLM*
RE: Additional background on Eisenberg's guest.

As you know, officially this is a fundraiser for Castro, unofficially the guests are all uncommitted to candidates in '96 and Lew believes they each can raise a minimum of \$1 Million next year. He hopes they will get to know you better at dinner.

Don Imus and Diedre Coleman

Will not be attending. The station prohibited his attendance at a fundraiser.

Henry and Marie Josee Kravis

Henry is Lew's best friend. Lew has been trying to get you two together for a year now. Henry specifically asked that if he were to spend time getting to know you better that it be in a small group rather than one-on-one.

Marie Josee, is his new wife (number 3). She has an impressive background as well. She is an Economist, who sits on the board's of Seagrams and Ford Motor. She is very active with the Hudson Institute of Canada. Recently, she has been hired by the Government of Canada to act as special negotiating counsel for both GATT and NAFTA.

~~Joseph and Nancy Plumeri~~

Vice Chair (#2 under Sandy Wild) of The Traveler's Insurance and past President of Smith Barney.

Thomas "Dusty" and Gleaves Rhodes

President of Nat'l Review and past partner at Goldman, Sachs. Dusty was very reluctant to write a check for Castro (she's too liberal for him). Lew says Dusty's business partner is Dick Gilder. Gilder just gave \$17 Million to Central Park and is a major donor to the Manhattan Institute and to Gov. John Engler. Gilder and Rhodes are uncommitted for '96.

James and MaryLou McCann

Pres. and CEO 1-800 Flowers. He is a friend and guest of Bernadette Castro.

Steve Schwarzman and Christine Hearst.

Co-Chairman with Pete Perterson of the Blackstone Group. Steve's guest is Christine Hearst of the Hearst Publishing family.

cc: Mo, Jo-Anne

GUESTS FOR SEPTEMBER 30 DINNER AT
THE EISENBERG RESIDENCE
895 PARK AVENUE
APT. 1-C
NEW YORK, NY
(212)737-0926
7:30PM

SENATOR BOB DOLE

DR. PETER GUIDA AND BERNADETTE CASTRO GUIDA
CARDIO-VASCULAR SURGEON, NEW YORK HOSPITAL
PROFESSOR OF SURGERY, CORNELL UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

HON. LEWIS AND JUDY EISENBERG
COMMISSIONER, PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK & NEW JERSEY
CHAIRMAN, COMMISSION OF PRIVATIZATION AND COMPETITIVE
CONTRACTING, NJ
CO-CHAIRMAN, GRANITE CAPITAL

HENRY AND MARIE JOSEE KRAVIS
FOUNDING PARTNER KOLBERT, KRAVIS & ROBERTS

JOSEPH AND NANCY PLUMERI
FORMER PRESIDENT OF SMITH BARNEY
VICE-CHAIR OF TRAVELER'S INSURANCE

THOMAS "DUSTY" AND GLEAVES RHODES
FORMER GENERAL PARTNER OF GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO.
PRESIDENT OF "NATIONAL REVIEW"

JAMES AND MARYLOU MCCANN
PRESIDENT & CEO, 1 800 FLOWERS

STEPHEN SCHWARZMAN AND ~~CHRISTINE HEARST~~
PRESIDENT & CEO, BLACKSTONE GROUP

CAMP. AMER. BRKFST

MEMO

TO: MARK MILLER	FROM: GERARD G. DINARCO	DATE: 9/30/94
RE: CAMPAIGN AMERICA		

This is an up to date list of attendees for the event of Saturday morning:

Tom Gosnell-	Retired C.E.O. Lawyers Co-operative Publishing Company
Dick Kaplan-	Chairman of the Board Maxim Group- a NY Stock Exchange Company
Dale Scutti-	C.E.O. Scutti Corporation- Commercial Development
Anthony DiMarzo-	C.E.O. Mark IV Construction Corp.- Residential & Commercial Development
Dick and Jodie Fox-	Dick is the President of Wendy's Restaurants of Rochester, Ohio, Indiana and Pennsylvania (Inc.)
Bill Fiore, M.D.-	Vascular Surgeon

There may be a few more, I'm just waiting for them to call.

Location:

Attendance: 6-7 @ \$

Event runs: 8:30 - 8:55 pm

Press: Closed

Facility: None

Format: Informal seated discussions

Contact: Mark Miller

DAVISON RECEPTION

9:45 am

Location: Webster Room

Attendance: 15-20 @ \$1,000 per person

Event runs: 8:45 am - 9:45 am

Press: Closed

Facility: None

Format: Mix and mingle

Photos

Contact: Kerry Locke

716/546-8040

Renee ★ Forgensi
DAVISON
CONGRESS



28th District ★ New York
Campaign Briefing Book

SENATOR BOB DOLE BREAKFAST

V.I.P. RECEPTION

Candidate: Rence Forgensi Davison
Congressman Bill Paxon
Paxon Chief of Staff Michael Hook
County Executive Bob King
County Clerk Margaret DeFrancisco
Monroe County Chairman Steve Minarik
Chief of Staff Irene Matichyn

Boncke, Bruce
Bristol, Larry
Cappa, Danny
Chase Bank Representatives
Chiano, Frank
Christa, David/Guest
Cole, Dick
Conti, Marcia
Danielle, Mario
Degnan, F. Joseph
DeWolff, Bud/Guest
DiMarco, Gerard/Guests
Farash, Max
Fennie, Bruce
Fileri, Phil
Flaum, David/Ilene
Fletcher, William
Goodyear, Joe
Goodyear, Rob
Harvey, Bob
Hogan, Dan
Ksczanowicz, Mike
Lewis, Karen
Locke, James
Lisi, Bill
Mazzullo, Don/Theresa
Nettin, Dawn
Rivera, Louis
Rodriguez, Mario
Sconfitto, Jerry

Senko, Cindy
Shaheen, David/Guest
Tadic, Andrea/Mike

Staff:

Locke, Kerry
Ogden, Karen
Goodsell, Julie
Smith, James
Schreiber, Nancy

DAVISON BREAKFAST

716/546-8519 fax

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1994

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9:45 am- ATTEND/SPEAK Fundraising Breakfast for Rene Davison

10:15 am

Location: Banquet Hall

Attendance: 800 - 1,000 @ \$150 per person

Event runs: 9:30 - 10:15 am

Press: Open

Facility: Riser, Podium and mic, headtable

Format: 9:50 am Bill Paxon introduces Senator Dole

9:55 am Senator Dole gives remarks

Contact: Kerry Locke

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Overview of 28th Congressional District Race

Liberal Democrat Louise Slaughter was first elected in 1986, and has enjoyed success in the largely Republican District ever since. The 1992 Election was the exception, in that she was only able to garner 54% of the vote versus an extremely underfunded opponent. The two major dailies - the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle and the Times Union - are very liberal; and can be expected to strongly support the Democrat. The Clinton Administration's efforts to bolster the incumbent Democrat County Clerk unsuccessful bid for re-election last year, area good indication that the President will also actively campaign for the incumbent Congresswoman. Mario Cuomo is also running for re-election. Recent polling data indicates extremely high negatives for both Clinton and Cuomo.

Louise Slaughter is a typical Congressional Insider Liberal. She supports the President's Health Care proposal jeopardizing Rochester's model system. She supported the Clinton tax increase, recent gun control legislation and the Clinton energy tax. Slaughter failed to support NAFTA and is opposed to the capital gains tax cut and the balanced budget amendment.

The Republican candidate, Renee Forgens Davison, is a first term county legislator who enjoys the support of both the Republican and Conservative Party's. (see bio for further personal details) She was elected in 1992 with a 65% plurality.

The 28th District is a Republican district with a Republican/Conservative registration overlay of approximately 21,000.

The Davison Campaign plans to raise a minimum of \$350,000 with a disproportionate amount of this money coming from local sources. Davison enjoys the full support of NRCC Chairman Paxon who represents an adjoining district.

POLITICAL BACKGROUND:
Monroe County, Rochester, New York

The elections of 1991 marked the turning point for the Monroe County Republican Committee in its effort to achieve county-wide electoral success, a success that continued through 1992 and 1993.

In 1991, the Republicans regained the most important political and governmental post in the area, Monroe County Executive. Bob King defeated the first-term Democrat incumbent by a 54-46% margin despite being outspent by over \$500,000.

Mr. King's first year in office focused on re-establishing the fiscal stability and integrity of the county as his predecessor who entered the office with a surplus left the county taxpayers with a \$42 million dollar deficit. Before considering any revenue enhancement, Bob King implemented spending reductions -- cutting the County Executive staff in half, reducing the pay salaries of top level government employees, cutting by 3% the operating costs of each county department and even reducing his own pay.

After lengthy and occasionally acrimonious negotiations with the Democrat Majority (17-12) in the legislature and the Democrats in New York State Assembly delegation, the sales tax was increased by 1/2 penny. Property owners, who are already strapped with federal, state and school taxes, were protected from a massive increase thanks to Bob's efforts.

The focus for the local Party in 1992 was gaining a Republican Majority in the County Legislature. It was painfully apparent in order to move ahead with Bob King's agenda of efficient and effective government which included privatization and Total Quality Management, the local Party needed to elect Republican legislators.

Heading into the legislative races, the Republicans gained one more seat as a Conservative-Democrat switched party enrollment.

By recruiting qualified, new, young candidates and running well-organized and effective campaigns with a message of effective and responsible government, the local Party achieved the desired result: turning a 16-13 minority position into a 16-13 Republican majority. Of the members of the new majority, seven are first-time legislators, including three women.

The local Party also celebrated the election of the first female Republican State Supreme Court Judge and County Court Judge.

The Party had two goals leading into the 1993 elections: ousting a long-time Democrat incumbent County Clerk who was positioning herself to run against County Executive King and to set the table for 1994 where Republicans planned to aggressively challenge Congresswoman Louise Slaughter and two incumbent Democrat state senators.

Despite being outspent nearly 2 1/2 - 1, Republican-Conservative Margaret DeFrancisco defeated the incumbent Democrat County Clerk winning nearly 54% of the vote. Republicans also maintained strongholds in the suburban areas of the community.

The stage has been set for another victorious year in 1994.

Summary

CANDIDATE

Renee Forgens Davison, age 36
Elected to Monroe County
Legislature with a 65% plurality.
Received both Republican and
Conservative endorsements.

DISTRICT

28th -- New York

VOTING BEHAVIOR

Republican District
{Republican/Conservative
Enrollment = 115,533, Democrat
Enrollment = 97,741}. In 1993,
Republican County Clerk defeated
long-term Democrat Incumbent
backed by Louise Slaughter
and Clinton Administration. In
1992 Louise Slaughter was
reelected with only 54% of vote.

PAC CONTACT PERSON

James P. Smith
(716) 546-8040

CAMPAIGN ADDRESS

Citizens For Davison
74 Saint Paul Street
Rochester, New York 14604

Paid for by Citizens for Davison, William R. Nojay, Treasurer

Renee Forgensi Davison

Renee Forgensi Davison hit the ground running after winning election in 1992, and has been strident in her efforts to provide her neighbors with a strong voice in Monroe County Government.

Her background includes two years as the Deputy Town Attorney, three years as Village Attorney, and three years as counsel to New York State Supreme Court Justice John D. Doyle. Renee's experience and proven leadership in government have given her the necessary tools to be a valuable resource in the Legislature.

Legislator Davison is the Chairman of the Human Services Committee, Vice-chairman of the Environmental Committee, and sits on the Public Safety Committee. Using her prestigious committee assignments and leadership position, Renee is leading the fight in the Legislature on Welfare Reform and reducing duplicative and expensive government services.

Renee earned her Law Degree from Syracuse University after graduating from Wells College, and is a member of the New York State and Monroe County Bar Associations. Dedicated to the community, Renee volunteers her time with the Volunteer Legal Services Project and sits on the Family Resource Network Board. She also serves as a member of the Monroe Community Hospital Board, and Webster Childcare Center Cooperative.

Currently an attorney in general practice, Renee and her husband Mark live in the Village of Webster at 35 Curtice Park, with their children Christopher and Kathleen.

Renee Forgens Davison: Bringing Real Change to Government ...

As a Monroe County Legislator ...

- ✓ Rochester's liberal Times-Union and Democrat & Chronicle newspapers endorsed Legislator Davison by proclaiming that "Webster is likely to be well- represented in the Legislature with Republican-Conservative Renee Forgens Davison."
- ✓ She is a prime sponsor of Monroe County's successful Term Limits and Legislative-compensation propositions.
- ✓ Monroe County Executive, and former New York State Assemblyman, Bob King has been "impressed with Renee's ability to understand critical issues and her knowledge about how we can make government operate more effectively at a lower cost." The Executive has also cited his desire to have Renee join him in his "fight to return government back to the people who pay the bills."
- ✓ Legislator Davison is commonly recognized as one of the county's strongest opponents of property tax increases.

Swimming against the strong current of liberalism streaming from Albany:

- ✓ Renee Forgens Davison put forth her first piece of legislation in the Monroe County Legislature, and aimed her sights in on Governor Mario Cuomo. When Renee became aware of the Governor's plans to illegally appropriate \$500 Million of the state's dedicated highway user revenue to the insatiable general fund, she voiced her opposition. Renee answered the call for action by authoring a petition from the County Legislature to put the brakes on Cuomo's scheme.
- ✓ As Albany continues to look the other way when it comes to improving New York State's Criminal Justice System and ensuring the rights of victims, Renee Forgens Davison has kept her eyes open. Renee brought her proposal to the Legislature in April of 1993, to investigate and subsequently recommend real reforms in the New York State Court System for Monroe County. The aim of this measure was to streamline the overcrowded and ineffective legal process, so victims and taxpayers could expect real justice not just lip service.
- ✓ Monroe-County's new initiative to use finger-imaging technology to reduce fraud in the distribution of Welfare Assistance was co-sponsored by Renee Davison.

Renee Forgens Davison the Legislator ...

Fiscal Responsibility, Saving Tax \$, and getting the job done:

- ✓ *Renee Forgens Davison put together an action plan that would allow for more private day care. Private initiative and entrepreneurship had created a great deal of business interest in in-house day care services. Instead of allowing these positive initiatives to be derailed by big-government obstacles Renee Forgens Davison worked to sweep the field clear. Her February, 1993 Legislation forged a new policy of government facilitation, not destruction, of these performance and productivity enhancing private initiatives.*
- ✓ *Monroe County's Child Assistance Program has proven that a creative approach to "welfare" can save tax dollars. Renee has fought hard to keep this program working in Monroe County, securing an extension from the state for Monroe County through her May, 1993 Legislation. This prototype program has reduced the percentage of public support for its participants from 91% to just 33%. Over the past two years one hundred sixty-two participants in the Child Assistance Program have graduated away from the need for any public funds.*
- ✓ *Davison authored the Legislature's petition to the United States Congress, asking for greater constraint on federal spending and more action on deficit reduction.*
- ✓ *When a proposal was presented to the Legislature to unilaterally ban the smoking of cigarettes in restaurants and bars in Monroe County, Renee Forgens Davison cried foul for the rights of her constituents and local business owners.*
- ✓ *As a prime sponsor Renee Forgens Davison was ardent in her support of the Term Limits Proposition, eventually leading to its overwhelming success at the ballot in November 1993.*
- ✓ *Thanks to the efforts of Legislator Forgens Davison, the people were able to vote on and pass Ballot Proposition 5. Prop 5 was a strong reform minded proposal that forced legislators to stand for reelection before they could collect any self-imposed pay raises.*
- ✓ *Twice, her liberal foes tried to pass legislation inhibitive to gun ownership, and twice Renee Forgens Davison stood opposed. Monroe County's over 60,000 permit holders have been particularly pleased with this support.*

Where Renee Forgens Davison Stands ...

Taxes and the Deficit:

- ✓ FOR real reductions in government spending
- ✓ FOR a Balanced Budget Amendment to the Constitution
- ✓ FOR a reduction in the Capital Gains Tax
- ✓ FOR reducing Congress's Budget
- ✓ FOR "A to Z" Budget Reduction Measure

Crime and Punishment:

- ✓ FOR the Death Penalty
- ✓ FOR the rights of Victims
- ✓ FOR Americans' right to keep and bear arms
- ✓ FOR stiff penalties related to domestic terrorism

Health and Welfare Reform:

- ✓ FOR welfare reform -- and accountability
- ✓ FOR finger-imaging welfare recipients to reduce fraud and waste
- ✓ FOR market-based health care reform without costly mandates on business

Government Reform:

- ✓ FOR Term Limits
- ✓ FOR reductions in Congressional Franking Privileges
- ✓ FOR the Inhofe Discharge Proposal
- ✓ FOR holding Congress accountable to the laws it passes for everyone else

Photo appeared Times-Union, March 4, 1994



Melinda Mahen/Staff photographer

Monroe County Executive Robert King congratulates Renee Forgensi Davison last night after Republicans chose her to run for Congress.

Excerpt from
The Greece Post,
March 7, 1994

ELECTION '94

Davison faces Slaughter in 28th

By Derek Murphy

County Legislator Renee Forgensi Davison of Webster will carry the Republican banner against Rep. Louise M. Slaughter of Fairport, the Democrat the local GOP most wants to beat in 1994.

In fact, the race in the 28th District may be one of the most watched in the nation. With all 435 seats in the House of Representatives up for election, Slaughter is the key Democrat targeted by the Republican National Committee.



DAVISON: Will take on Slaughter

Davison easily outdistanced two other Republican hopefuls at last Thursday's party convention, held at the Mapledale Party House, 1020 Maple St.

Of the 17,615 weighted votes cast by the 500 committee members, Davison claimed about 66 per cent. Xerox executive John Clendenin finished second with 22 per cent, with Webster attorney William Polito placing third.

Polito won 45 per cent of the vote against Slaughter in 1992, better than any before him, but failed to generate much interest in his new bid.

It was clear that party leaders, especially Chairman Stephen J. Minarik III, favored Davison from the start. Minarik has been mentioning her

Italian American Community News,
April 1994

Names In the New

Renee Forgensi Davison, County Legislator and attorney, has received the Republican nomination to run for the US Congress. In her first run for office she won election to the Monroe County Legislature with 65% of the vote. She presently serves the Boards of Monroe County Hospital and the Family Resource Network. She resides in Webster with her husband, Mark, and two children.



Forgensi Davison

Dem is top target GOP to pick Slaughter foe

By Derek Murphy

For more than a year, Monroe County Republicans have been looking for a strong candidate to run against Rep. Louise M. Slaughter, the U.S. Rep. from the 28th District. And now, they have found one. Renee Forgensi Davison, a County Legislator, has been chosen by the party to challenge Slaughter in the 28th Congressional District.

The nomination came after a long search for a strong candidate to run against Slaughter. Davison, 43, is a County Legislator and an attorney. She has served on the Monroe County Hospital Board and the Family Resource Network. She lives in Webster with her husband, Mark, and two children.

Davison was chosen by a vote of 66 percent at the party convention. She is the only woman to be nominated for the House of Representatives in the 28th District. She will face Slaughter, who has served in Congress for 12 years.

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Excerpt from the Irondequoit Press,
February 3, 1994

MONROE COUNTY

Fingerprinting of welfare recipients gets OK

By Derek Murphy

Welfare recipients in Monroe County can now be fingerprinted as part of an effort to track down welfare cheats.

In a vote along party lines, the GOP-controlled Monroe County Legislature voted 15-13 Tuesday on a measure calling for a study on the implementation of an electronic fingerprinting system that would work in the same way as a grocery store scanner.

The prints could then be examined through a computer imaging process to

determine whether an applicant is already receiving other kinds of benefits.

The measure was proposed two weeks ago by Legislature President Arnold J. Eckert, R-Irondequoit, and Legislator Renee Forgensi Davison, R-Webster, and was hotly debated for two hours before the vote came.

Excerpt from the Rochester Times-Union,
February 25, 1994

Welfare fingerprinting is success, Onondaga says

But county officials never found fraud

By TRIF ALATZAS

Staff writer

SYRACUSE — Onondaga County officials call their pilot program that electronically fingerprints welfare recipients a success in stamping out fraud.

While they've never identified anyone who was receiving benefits twice, Onondaga Social Service officials estimate the 16-month effort has saved the county more than \$700,000 because people defrauding the system never showed up to be fingerprinted.

Republican legislators, however, say the move is popular because it's a start at reforming the welfare system. And their hope is that the effort will dispel a myth among some taxpayers that welfare recipients are cheats.

"If there is no intent to commit a crime, then there is nothing to be afraid of," said Legislator Renee Forgensi Davison, R-Webster, who co-sponsored the measure locally

Democrat & Chronicle

— CRIME FIGHTING —

February 2, 1994

Monroe OKs fingerprinting welfare clients

Republicans lead legislature's 15-13 vote on measure

By Trif Alatzas

Staff writer

Monroe County legislators approved a measure last night that leads the way to electronically fingerprinting welfare recipients in an effort to stamp out fraud.

After close to two hours of debate, legislators voted 15-13 along party lines to approve the measure — Republicans supported the measure, Democrats opposed it.

But about 25 welfare recipients

and organization leaders who assist the needy told legislators not to force those who need help to be fingerprinted when they have done nothing wrong.

"Just the thought of fingerprinting welfare recipients is incredibly stigmatizing, degrading and dehumanizing," said Sister Grace Miller of the House of Mercy. "It is an insult to any human person and is an attack against any kind of human decency, dignity and integrity."

But Renee Forgensi Davison, R-Webster, who sponsored the measure with Legislature President Arnold Eckert, R-Irondequoit, said wiping out fraud will make sure only those who need assistance receive it.

*'It's humiliating.
We're not criminals,
we're just poor.'*

— Kevin Robinson,
a welfare recipient

"Stigma is the perception that people on assistance are cheats," Davison said. "If we can do things ... to help the public understand that their perception is incorrect, why not do it? Why not preserve the integrity of the system and help destroy that perception?"

"It's humiliating," said Kevin

Robinson, a welfare recipient. "We're not criminals, we're just poor."

Legislators voted to recommend the county executive study ways to implement the plan. When the program is ready to begin, county legislators will again have to vote on funding the measure.

A number of Democrats opposing the plan said the legislation wasn't specific enough to warrant a vote yet. They said that since administration officials plan to study the effort anyway, the legislation wasn't necessary.

Some Republicans said approving the move now would allow administration officials to apply for an expanded state pilot project pro-

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posed by the governor last month. While Davison and Eckert haven't outlined any specific costs for the effort, they believe the savings gained from deterring fraud would offset those costs.

They said the county annually investigates more than 3,500 allegations of welfare fraud.

The technology, which uses a device similar to a grocery-store scanner, takes a computer picture of someone's fingerprint. Through computer imaging, the print is analyzed to determine whether a client is receiving benefits elsewhere in the county. □

NRSC BRIEFING

MEMORANDUM

September 27, 1994

To: Senator Dole
From: Bill Thorne, NRSC
Re: Background for New York Senate Race

Following is background information for your trip to New York and Mrs. Bernadette Castro, our Republican Senate candidate in New York:

CASTRO BIO ATTACHED



Race Update:

1. Political newcomer Bernadette Castro was chosen as the GOP Senate nominee over former Ambassador to France, Evan Galbraith, receiving the support of over 90% of the delegates at the state GOP convention. She is considered a rising star in the state and offers a strong contrast to Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan.
2. Castro has a great deal of personal resources and has the advantage of a united state GOP. In May, Castro hired Ed Rollins as a general consultant. When asked by the media how much of her own money she would be willing to contribute to the campaign, she responded "As much as it takes." It is important to note that the gubernatorial ticket also includes a woman while there is not a woman at the top of the Democrats' slate.
3. Politically in New York, most observers and political activists are focused on the gubernatorial race. Polls have consistently shown Governor Mario Cuomo as very vulnerable in his re-election bid; Republican state Senator George Pataki, the party's gubernatorial nominee (who has the backing of Senator Al D'Amato), is leading in some polls and within the margin of error in others. With Governor Cuomo's numbers very weak, Moynihan will have the problem of having to distance himself from both the state and national Democrats.
4. The Rev. Al Sharpton challenged Sen. Moynihan in the Democrat primary on September 13 after petitioning to get on the ballot. He was soundly beaten.

LATEST POLLING INFORMATION:

New York Daily News / Harris (9/15-17)

Ballot

Castro	24%
Moynihan	70%

Political Media Research (5/17/94)

BALLOT

Castro	19%
Moynihan	63

NAME I.D.

Aware	Castro 27%	Moynihan 98%
Favorable	4	62
Unfavorable	2	17

Political Media Research (4/11/94)

REELECT

Reelect	50%
Another	38
Replace	9

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Candidate	Raised 8/24	Spent 8/24	PAC \$	3rd Quarter	COH 8/24	Debt
Castro	\$394,558	NA	\$13,969	\$281,965	\$80,991	\$64,610
Moynihan	NA	NA	NA	\$316,697	\$2,253,330	\$0

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HOTLINE 9/21/94

*6 NEW YORK: MOYNIHAN HAS VERY COMFORTABLE LEAD IN LATEST POLL
A N.Y. DAILY NEWS poll conducted 8/15-17 by Harris, surveyed
901 likely voters; margin or error +/- 3.3% (9/20). Tested:
Sen. Pat Moynihan (D) and b-woman Bernadette Castro (R). Also
running: '92 Sen. cand. Al Sharpton (I).

	NOW	5/94
Moynihan	70%	67%
Castro	24	28

HOTLINE 9/14/94

SENATE: In the Dem primary, Sen. Pat Moynihan had no trouble with '92 Sen. primary cand. Al Sharpton. Businesswoman Bernadette Castro was unopposed for the GOP nomination. Results with 94% reporting (AP, 9/14):

DEM PRIMARY

Moynihan	491,176	74%
Sharpton	175,544	26

GOVERNOR: In the Dem primary, Gov. Mario Cuomo swamped New Alliance Party activist Lenora Fulani. In the GOP primary, state Sen. George Pataki easily defeated ex-NY GOP chair Richard Rosenbaum, who will be on the fall ballot on the Independence Fusion Party line. Results with 94% reporting (AP, 9/14):

DEM PRIMARY

Cuomo	516,804	79%
Fulani	136,159	21

GOP PRIMARY

Pataki	238,039	73%
Rosenbaum	87,364	27

September 30, 1994

MEMORANDUM FOR SENATOR DOLE

FROM: Nelson Rockefeller *N.A.R.*
SUBJECT: Fingerprinting Welfare Recipients to Prevent Fraud

New York State:

- * Two counties (Rockland and Onondaga) have implemented demonstration projects to determine the cost effectiveness of an automated two-digit fingerimaging matching identification system. The purpose is to prevent multiple enrollments in the Home Relief Program.
- * NY State Senator Joe Holland, Chairman of the State Senate's Social Services Committee, has been a strong supporter of fingerprinting Home Relief recipients to reduce fraud.
- * The Rockland and Onondaga programs have proven to be cost efficient according to a January 1994 report by the NYS Dept. of Social Services. The report stated that, "As of September 1993, we estimated a cost avoidance of \$678,960...as compared to project expenditures of \$160,000."
- * Governor Cuomo has called for the expansion of the Rockland and Onondaga programs to any New York county that wants the program. However, Rep. Lazio's office reports that Cuomo has not guaranteed any State funding.
- * Mayor Guiliani supports this fingerimaging idea for NYC. However, no action seems to have been taken.
- * Rep. Lazio has stated, "... New York could save \$46 million a year by adopting a finger-imaging program" In addition, Rep. Lazio stated, "... a survey of participants in the New York program found that 93% of the recipients responded that the finger-imaging process was not an inconvenience."

US Senate: Senator Hutchinson introduced on May 6, 1994 the only Senate bill on fingerprinting AFDC welfare recipients to prevent fraud -- entitled the Welfare Anti-Fraud Act of 1994. The bill amends title IV of the Social Security Act to require States to use a 2-digit fingerprint matching identification system in order to prevent multiple benefit enrollments by individuals. The bill currently has three co-sponsors: Brown, D'Amato and Craig. Senator Hutchinson's office reports that CBO has still not responded to their request for cost estimates and that U.S. Representatives Lazio, Pambo, Doolittle and Levy have expressed interest in offering similar legislation on the House floor.

US House: Representative Rick Lazio describes the bill he introduced on January 25, 1994 as follows, the bill calls "upon the Secretary of Health and Human Services to conduct a feasibility study on the use of finger-imaging (or other biometric technology such as retina scans) to verify identities of welfare applicants and recipients to help reduce fraud in the Aid to Families With Dependent Children program." This bill has not been acted upon and remains in Ways and Means sub-committee. No other bills have been introduced in the House that involve fingerprinting welfare recipients.

cc. Sheila Burke
Dennis Shea

September 29, 1994

TO: Senator Dole
FROM: Vicki *Vicki*
RE: Rochester Health Care

During the 1992 presidential campaign Rochester was cited repeatedly for having been unusually successful in developing an efficient health care system that reduced costs.

In 1992 health care costs in Rochester were lower than in any other community in the country.

In 1991 the total cost per person for health care in Rochester was \$2,378, compared to \$3,573 for the national average and \$4,362 for the remainder of the state of New York.

Also, only 6 percent of the population of Rochester is uninsured, compared to about 14 percent for the rest of the nation. 84 percent of the population of Rochester expresses satisfaction with their health care, compared to only 71 percent nationally.

FACTORS CONTRIBUTING TO LOWER COSTS

HOSPITALS

The University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry is the only medical school in the region. All Rochester community hospitals are affiliated with the university. Therefore, Rochester has an unusually high concentration of physicians for an area of its size. Each year, approximately 400 medical students and 500 residents use the 2,000 teaching beds in Rochester hospitals.

INSURANCE

About 95 percent of all health insurance coverage in Rochester is by local insurers. Blue Cross controls about 80 percent of the market. Almost all the plans are community rated. As a result, both small businesses and self-employed individuals in the region can purchase the same level of coverage at the same rates as large corporations.

PHYSICIANS

About 65 percent of the employed population in Rochester is enrolled in managed care plans such as HMOs. The physicians in the community are also in close contact with insurance carriers and hospital administrators. There is a mutual effort by physicians and hospitals to keep costs down.

What is important is that this managed care network and the collaborative effort of hospitals, insurance companies, and physicians to provide high quality care while controlling costs, has all been accomplished without government involvement. The Rochester experience is a private sector success story that proves that health reform can and is taking place without government intrusion.

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Democrat & Chronicle
"Speaking Out" Editor
55 Exchange Blvd.
Rochester, New York 14614

Dear Editor:

I was surprised to read the latest in Louise Slaughter's variety of positions on the health care issue. Initially she supported the Clinton Plan for Monroe County. Now she is talking about waivers and exemptions for our community. Based on our Government's track record, it would be foolish for Rochester to rely on the promise of a waiver.

A federal health care bureaucracy would be enormous, and costly. Under the Clinton plan New York State could opt for one statewide alliance, if this were the case, downstate members of Congress would naturally want Rochester in this alliance to drive down the health care costs in New York City.

Further, Monroe County tax revenue would be collected to help support the rest of America's enrollment in an expensive government run socialized health plan.

The notion that Rochester would be allowed to remain an island of efficient, competitive, private health care in a sea of nationalized health rationing is a fantasy. If the Clinton Plan is harmful enough to need a waiver, why would our Congresswoman mandate participation in it for the rest of the country?

As a community we have too much to lose by sitting out the debate on health care. The thousands of jobs in the Rochester area that are tied to pharmaceuticals or bio-tech industries would certainly be in jeopardy. This would occur in an industry that has already laid-off 30,000 people in the past year and a half. The Clinton plan would also have an effect on our area hospitals, and the people who earn their living working in them.

When it comes to health care three issues have emerged as the major concerns of people in Rochester and across the country: 1)Expanding access to insurance coverage to the 37 million Americans currently not covered, 2)Fear of losing insurance upon changing jobs, and 3)Rising health care costs may make health care out of reach or wipe out a family's savings -- especially when faced with a catastrophic illness.

We must expand health insurance access and coverage. We need to work with those in the private sector, to ensure that all employers offer a basic health insurance plan to all employees, without mandating that they pay for it -- thereby not forcing companies out of business. To meet this goal all insurers should be required to offer insurance packages to the small group market by including plans for companies that employ between 2 to 50 people. Medisave accounts need to be incorporated into this mix to allow individuals to

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make tax deductible contributions to personal family medical accounts -- Forbes, Inc. has been able to successfully hold their health costs static by using similar accounts for their employees.

The self-employed could be protected as well, by creating a 100% health insurance deduction. We also need to increase the number of community health centers, since these service providers commonly serve low-income families.

Further, we must protect the security of the care provided. Here again we do not need to create a whole new system, but merely plug the gaps in our current system. Employees changing jobs should be protected, and their coverage should be guaranteed during interim periods of employment. Those individuals with pre-existing medical conditions also need to be protected from losing coverage during changes in employment or insurers.

We must also ensure the health care security of the elderly, by promoting tax deductions for long-term care coverage. Penalty-free withdrawal of funds from IRAs, life insurance, or 401(k) plans should be permitted. This portion of health care reform is critical as our population begins to live longer, needing better and more expensive medical care later in life and for longer periods.

Costs must be addressed. In this area government should act as a facilitator, not as a tool to reduce competition. Our reform efforts should center on streamlining the red tape associated with providing care. Uniform paperwork standards could be implemented industry wide, to cut costs and reduce the time necessary to process a myriad of forms and documents. Medical malpractice and product liability laws need to be amended to discourage "defensive medicine" practices -- U.S. doctors pay 14 times more for medical malpractice than their counterparts in Germany.

Whatever reforms are eventually enacted, Americans need to be able to choose their own doctors and health care providers while not footing the bill, through lost jobs and wages, that mandated payroll taxes would surely impose.

Instead of being lulled into inaction by a waiver gimmick, our community needs to be a part of national health care reform by bringing our experience and success into the national debate. By actively participating in the formulation of this massive policy initiative we can ensure the continued success of Rochester's model system, without being sucked into a flawed national plan after a non-existent, or short lived, waiver plan is long forgotten.

Sincerely,

Renee Forgensi Davison



United States
General Accounting Office
Washington, D.C. 20548

Human Resources Division

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January 29, 1993

The Honorable John Conyers, Jr.
Chairman, Committee on Government Operations
House of Representatives

The Honorable William F. Clinger, Jr.
Ranking Minority Member
Committee on Government Operations
House of Representatives

Increasing health care costs and restricted access to health care services in the United States continue to concern the Congress and the nation. In search of solutions to these problems, the Congress has asked GAO to study health care systems in other nations, as well as initiatives in the states. For example, we recently found that Hawaii has expanded insurance coverage to a greater proportion of its residents than any other state while keeping its health care costs close to the national average.¹ To supplement these studies, Chairman Conyers and former Ranking Minority Member Frank Horton requested that we review the health care system in Rochester, New York, which has lower health care costs per capita and provides health insurance to a larger proportion of its residents than the nation as a whole.

Results in Brief

Rochester has succeeded in keeping health care costs lower than costs in other communities without sacrificing its residents' access to care. In 1991, health insurance costs per employee in Rochester were 33 percent lower than comparable costs in the nation and 45 percent lower than in New York State. Rochester's hospital costs per capita in 1990 were lower than hospital costs per capita in the nation, New York State, and other cities of similar size in New York.

At the same time, Rochester residents are more likely to have health insurance coverage than are the populations of other New York cities, New York State, and the nation. Between 1989 and 1991, the uninsured accounted for an average of 7.1 percent of the population in Rochester, compared to 13.7 percent in the nation, 11.4 percent in New York State, and about 8 percent in comparable cities.

People in Rochester express greater satisfaction with their health care system than does the general U.S. population and indicate that they have less difficulty in obtaining care than residents of other areas. Recently,

¹Access to Health Care: States Respond to Growing Crisis (GAO/HRD-92-70, June 10, 1992).

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5 percent of Rochester's residents, compared with 13 percent nationally, reported they had gone without needed care in the previous year.

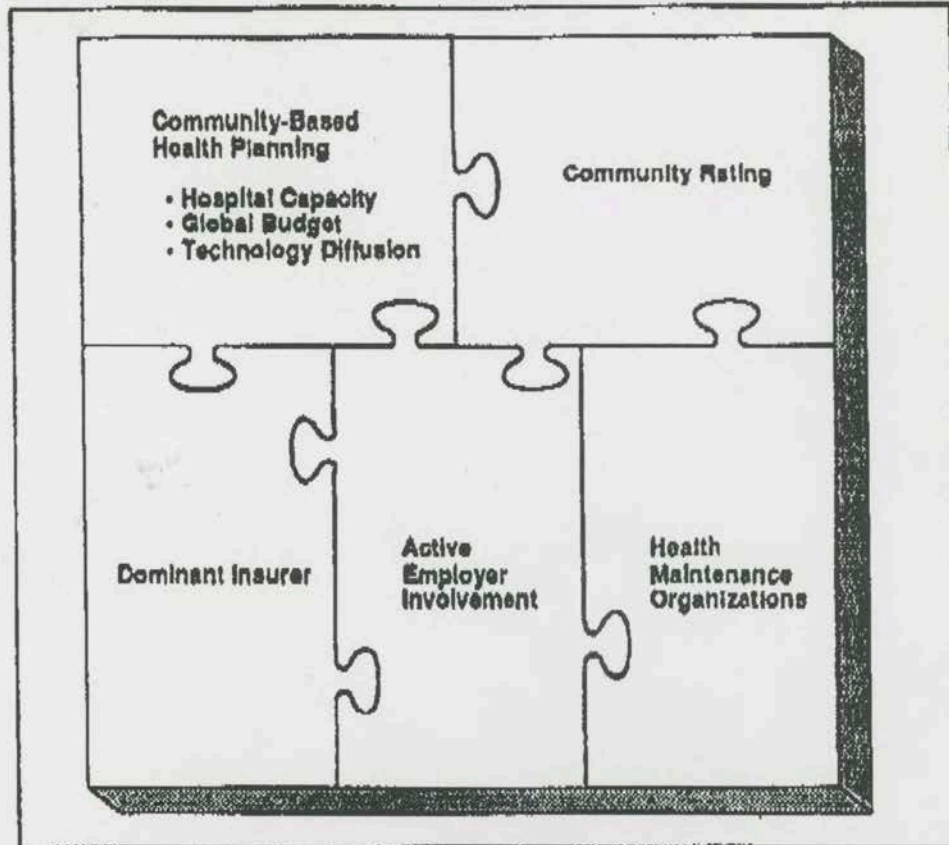
No single feature of Rochester's health care system is responsible for the community's performance. Rather, Rochester's system is distinguished by the interaction of several factors, beginning with a long history of community-based health planning. Rochester's planning initiatives have included limiting the expansion of hospital capacity, implementing an experiment of global budgeting that capped total hospital revenues for several years, and controlling the diffusion of medical technology. Rochester has largely maintained the practice of community rating of health insurance, in which premiums are based on the experience of the entire community rather than the demographic characteristics or health status of smaller groups of enrollees, resulting in increased health insurance coverage.

All of these initiatives have benefited from the active support of Rochester's employers, who have worked with insurers, providers, and government representatives to try to control health care costs and improve access to care. Rochester's dominant insurer, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, also has facilitated and supplemented the cost containment efforts of the business community. Health maintenance organizations, which cover the majority of Rochester's residents, are credited with reducing costs by decreasing the time residents spend in the hospital. (See fig. 1.)

Rochester's experience provides important insights for other communities trying to gain control over rising health care costs and diminished access. It is important to note, however, that Rochester's successes result from a series of actions taken over several decades. While other cities might profit from emulating Rochester's use of community-based planning and community rating for health insurance, it is unclear whether they would match Rochester's record. Many of the problems Rochester has avoided, such as the excessive growth of hospital capacity and the erosion of coverage that current insurance practices generally produce, are entrenched in other communities. It may be more difficult to change practices that people are accustomed to than it was to prevent them from taking hold. A more detailed discussion of our findings is in appendix I.

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Figure 1: Interlocking Elements of Rochester's Health Care System



Scope and Methodology

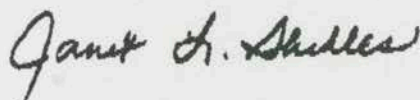
To measure the performance of Rochester's health care system, we compared data on health care costs and insurance coverage for Rochester, other cities in New York State,⁸ the state as a whole, and the nation. We used information from Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Rochester, the Eastman Kodak Company, the American Hospital Association, and the New York State Department of Health.

To describe Rochester's health care system and identify the features linked with its performance, we interviewed business representatives, insurers, providers, government officials, and consumer advocates inside and outside of Rochester. Our work was conducted between July and October 1992 in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards.

⁸We chose cities in the state for comparison because they, like Rochester, are subject to New York health planning regulations. We chose Albany, Syracuse, and Buffalo as comparison cities because they are similar in size to Rochester.

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As agreed with your offices, unless you publicly announce its contents earlier, we plan no further distribution of this report until 90 days after its issue date. At that time, we will send copies of this report to interested congressional committees and make copies available to others on request. If you or your staffs have any questions about this report, please call me on (202) 512-7119. Other major contributors are listed in appendix II.



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