

DINNER IN HONOR OF THE GOVERNORS OF THE STATES AND THE TERRITORIES

Sunday, February 27, 2000

THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Frances Glendening; Spouse of Gov. Parris Glendening (D/Maryland)

Gov. Jim Hunt; (D/North Carolina)

Mrs. Patricia Kempthorne; Spouse of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne (R/Idaho)

Gov. Ronnie Musgrove; (D/Mississippi)

Mrs. Judi Patton; Spouse of Gov. Paul Patton (D/Kentucky)

Gov. Edward T. Schafer; (R/North Dakota)

Ms. Deborah Jospin; Director of AmeriCorps, The Corporation for National Service

Gov. Michael O. Leavitt; (R/Utah)

Mrs. Mona Lee Locke; Spouse of Gov. Gary Locke (D/Washington)

THE FIRST LADY

Gov. Parris N. Glendening; (D/Maryland)

Mrs. Sharon Davis; Spouse of Gov. Gray Davis (D/California)

Mr. William Shaheen; Spouse of Gov. Jeanne Shaheen (D/New Hampshire)

Mrs. Janet Cellucci; Spouse of Gov. Argeo Paul Cellucci (R/Massachusetts)

Gov. Pedro J. Rosello; (New Progressive/Puerto Rico)

Mrs. Christie Vilsack; Spouse of Gov. Thomas J. Vilsack (D/Iowa)

Gov. Jesse Ventura; (Reform/Minnesota)

Mrs. Jacalyn Leavitt; Spouse of Gov. Michael Leavitt (R/Utah)

Gov. Roy Barnes; (D/Georgia)

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**THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. CLINTON
HOST THE NATIONAL GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER**

WASHINGTON, DC – On Sunday, February 27, 2000, the President and Mrs. Clinton will host a White House dinner honoring the Governors of the United States and Territories.

Guests will be seated for dinner in the State Dining Room. The tables will be set with the Dwight D. Eisenhower baseplates and the Ronald Reagan China will be used for service. The White House Vermeil Collection flatware and the Kennedy Morgantown crystal will be set on pomegranate-colored tablecloths. Gold bamboo containers from the White House Vermeil collection will be filled with peach quince, peach amaryllis, red anemones, and lipstick roses. These centerpieces will be surrounded by the gold taper and votive candles.

Following dinner, guests will be entertained in the East Room by saxophonist Kenny G. One of today's most sought-after performers, Kenny G has inspired millions of fans through his unique musical style. His many prestigious honors include Grammy, American Music, Soul Train, World Music and NAACP Image awards. In the spirit of the many musicians who have inspired him, he recently established The Kenny G Miracles Foundation to help give disadvantaged youth exposure to music appreciation and the arts nationwide.

Kenny G will be accompanied by Robert Damper, a native of Washington State who plays with some of today's most popular entertainers and is seen in numerous live performances around the world.

Editor's Note: Attached is the dinner menu. The dinner guest list will be released separately as soon as it is available.

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Menu

*Grilled Arctic Char and Rock Shrimp
Caramelized Endive and Eggplant Puree
Chardonnay Butter Sauce*

*Sliced Piedmontese Rib Eye
Applewood Smoked Bacon and Onion Potato Hash
Baby Fennel, Broccoli and Chanterelles
Mustard Tarragon Sauce*

*Winter Greens and Grape Tomatoes
Goat Cheese and Leek Tart
Champagne Vinegar Dressing*

Dessert

*Early Spring Lime Chilled Soufflé
with Glazed Strawberries
Pistachio Truffle Candy
Florentine Shortbread
Glazed Ginger*

Wines

*Biltmore Estate "Sur Lies" Chardonnay N/V (North Carolina)
Leonetti Merlot 1998 (Washington)
Westport "Cuvee RLR" Brut 1995 (Massachusetts)*

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EMBARGOED UNTIL SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2000

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THE PRESIDENT and MRS. CLINTON

Hon. Madeleine K. Albright; Secretary of State
Ms. Kathy Silva (sister)

Hon. Aida Alvarez; Administrator, Small Business Administration
Mr. Lance Simmens; Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Small Business Administration (guest)

Hon. Bruce Babbitt; Secretary of the Interior
Hon. Harriet Babbitt; Deputy Administrator, United States Agency for International Development

Hon. Kris Balderston; Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy Cabinet Secretary
Ms. Patricia Reilly

Hon. Roy Barnes; Governor of Georgia
Mrs. Marie Barnes

Hon. Melvin E. Carnahan; Governor of Missouri
Ms. Robin Carnahan (daughter)

Hon. Thomas R. Carper; Governor of Delaware

Hon. Benjamin Cayetano; Governor of Hawaii
Mrs. Vicky Cayetano

Hon. Argeo Paul Cellucci; Governor of Massachusetts
Mrs. Jan Cellucci

Hon. William M. Daley; Secretary of Commerce

Hon. Gray Davis; Governor of California
Mrs. Sharon Davis

Hon. Howard Dean; Governor of Vermont

Hon. Maria Echaveste; Assistant to the President and Deputy Chief of Staff
Professor Christopher Edley; Professor, Harvard University College of Law

Mr. Kris Engskov; The President's Aide
Ms. Christine Anderson; Press Assistant, Office of the Press Secretary (guest)

Hon. George T. Frampton, Jr.; Acting Chair, Council on Environmental Quality
Ms. Carla D'Arista

Mr. Kenny G
Ms. Lyndie Benson

Hon. James S. Gilmore III; Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia
Mrs. Roxane Gilmore

Hon. Parris N. Glendening; Governor of Maryland
Mrs. Frances Glendening

Hon. Daniel Glickman; Secretary of Agriculture
Mrs. Rhoda Glickman

Hon. Bill Graves; Governor of Kansas
Mrs. Linda Graves

Hon. Kenny C. Guinn; Governor of Nevada
Hon. Sig Rogich; Former Ambassador to Iceland and President, Rogich Communications Group
(guest)

Hon. James H. Hodges; Governor of South Carolina
Mrs. Rachel Hodges

Hon. Jane Dee Hull; Governor of Arizona
Mr. Colin Shipley (grandson)

Hon. James B. Hunt, Jr.; Governor of North Carolina
Mrs. Carolyn Hunt

Hon. Mickey Ibarra; Assistant to the President and Director of Intergovernmental Affairs
Mrs. Frances Ibarra

Hon. Michael O. Johanns; Governor of Nebraska
Mrs. Stephanie Johanns

Hon. Frank Keating; Governor of Oklahoma
Mrs. Cathy Keating

Hon. Dirk Kempthorne; Governor of Idaho
Mrs. Patricia Kempthorne

Hon. Angus S. King, Jr.; Governor of Maine
Ms. Ellen King Neff (sister)

Hon. Tony Knowles; Governor of Alaska
Mrs. Susan Knowles

Hon. Michael Leavitt; Governor of Utah
Mrs. Jacalyn Leavitt

Hon. Jack Lew; Director of the Office of Management and Budget
Ms. Ruth Schwartz

Hon. Gary Locke; Governor of Washington
Mrs. Mona Lee Locke

Hon. Ray Martinez; Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy Director of Intergovernmental Affairs
Mrs. Elizabeth Martinez

Hon. Ellen McCulloch-Lovell; Deputy Assistant to the President and
Advisor to the First Lady for the Millennium Program
Dr. Christopher Lovell

Ms. Susan McCulloch

Hon. Ronnie Musgrove; Governor of Mississippi
Mrs. Melanie Musgrove

Mrs. Judy O'Bannon; First Lady of Indiana

Hon. William F. Owens; Governor of Colorado
Mrs. Frances Owens

Hon. George Pataki; Governor of New York
Ms. Allison Marie Pataki (daughter)

Hon. Paul Patton; Governor of Kentucky
Mrs. Judi Patton

Hon. John Podesta; Chief of Staff to the President
Mrs. Mary Podesta

Hon. Marc Racicot; Governor of Montana
Mr. Michael J. Robinson; Chief of Staff to the Governor of Montana

Hon. Bruce Reed; Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy and Director, Domestic Policy Council
Ms. Bonnie Lepard

Hon. Janet Reno; Attorney General of the United States

Hon. Steven Ricchetti; Assistant to the President and Deputy Chief of Staff
Ms. Amy Blanchard

Hon. Richard W. Riley; Secretary of Education
Mrs. Anne Riley

Hon. Pedro J. Rosselló; Governor of the Island of Puerto Rico
Mrs. Maga Rosselló

Hon. George Ryan, Sr.; Governor of Illinois
Mrs. Lura Lynn Ryan

Hon. Edward Schafer; Governor of North Dakota
Mrs. Nancy Schafer

Dr. Raymond C. Scheppach; Executive Director, National Governors' Association
Mrs. Terry Scheppach

Hon. Jeanne Shaheen; Governor of New Hampshire
Mr. William Shaheen

Hon. Donna E. Shalala; Secretary of Health and Human Services
Mr. Michael M. Hash; Deputy Administrator, Health Care Finance Administration (guest)

Hon. Don Siegelman; Governor of Alabama
Mrs. Lori Siegelman

Hon. Rodney Slater; Secretary of Transportation
Mrs. Cassandra Slater

Hon. Gene Sperling; Assistant to the President for Economic Policy and
Director, National Economic Council
Ms. Jennice Fuentes; Legislative Director for Hon. (Rep.) Luis Gutierrez (guest)

Hon. Tauese Sunia; Governor of American Samoa
Mrs. Fagaoalii Satele Sunia

Hon. Pedro P. Tenorio; Governor of the Northern Mariana Islands
Mrs. Sophia Tenorio

Hon. Tommy G. Thompson; Governor of Wisconsin
Ms. Tommi N. Thompson; Wisconsin Women's Health Foundation (daughter)

Mrs. B. J. Thornberry; Executive Director, Democratic Governors' Association
Mr. Mike Stratton; President and CEO, Stratton and Associates (guest)

Hon. Charles W. Turnbull; Governor of the United States Virgin Islands
Mrs. Doris Wells; Technical Editor, Department of Justice (sister)

Hon. Cecil Underwood; Governor of West Virginia
Mrs. Hovah Underwood

Hon. Jesse Ventura; Governor of Minnesota
Mr. Steven Bosacker; Chief of Staff to the Governor of Minnesota (guest)

Hon. Thomas J. Vilsack; Governor of Iowa
Mrs. Christie Vilsack

Hon. James Lee Witt; Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency
Mrs. Lea Ellen Witt

Hon. Harris Wofford; CEO, The Corporation for National Service
Ms. Deborah Jospin; Director of AmeriCorps, The Corporation for National Service (guest)