

Rental cars sparse but baked goods and housing abundant

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Republican-its has taken its toll on the metropolitan area with hotels and car rental agencies swelling from the impact.

A survey around town turned up these tidbits.

Rental cars scarce

If you plan to rent a car today but don't have an advance reservation, count on finding some other mode of transportation.

Dollar Rent-a-Car, a Michigan franchise owned by Farmington Hills Olds dealer Bob Saks, is out of 1979 and 1980 Cutlasses and just about down to its last top line Toyota Tercel.

"We're swamped with requests," said Ann Osiwala, a worker at the Olds-mobile dealership at 35300 Grand River.

Osiwala said anxious would-be renters have sat for hours in the rental office waiting for customers to return cars.

Most of Dollar Rent-a-Car's business is transacted through its Detroit Metropolitan Airport office. The rate is \$23.95 a day plus 25 cents a mile. Customers must have a major credit card like Visa or MasterCard.

"We're still accepting reservations, but the availability here and from other rental agencies is just about zero," said Debra Lawson, an airport rental office worker.

"We've been completely sold out for the month of July," Saks said.

"WE HAD to rush another 100 cars out there (to the airport) to handle the rush."

Saks has 220 cars in use now and is scurrying to dig up more for convention business.

"It's gonna be tough," he said. "We're juggling and putting extra cars in, but it's gonna be real tough."

Homes not a favorite

There's plenty of room at the inn, but Republicans aren't showing much interest in renting homes in the Farmington area.

"They just don't want to go out that far, even if the rooms are free," said Norma Laskey, special housing coordinator for the Civic Host Committee for the convention.

"They want to be close to the action."

Eight Farmington area families list-

ed their homes with the civic host committee to house visiting Republicans, but haven't been called, like Dan Osiwala of Farmington.

"Our application is on file with the committee, the files are open to anyone interested in renting, but we haven't had any calls yet," Osiwala said.

Laskey says most of the requests have been for the Lafayette Park area or Dearborn, even though "The outlying areas are nice."

BECAUSE OF the convention influx, Laskey's committee has received calls from other groups who need housing due to the hotel shortage.

A group of fashion models in town for a show found housing in the Troy-Birmingham area thanks to the committee.

Bakery does it twice

Aux Delices Bakery of Farmington Hills took a sampling of its French cuisine downtown Saturday to feed 600 press-types in a \$40,000 cocktail party sponsored by the City of Detroit.

The bakery was one of 50 metropolitan area establishments participating in "A Taste of Detroit."

The bakery, at 29210 Orchard Lake south of 13 Mile, plans a repeat performance tonight for a cocktail party planned by the Reagan Committee at Cobo Hall.



It was a busy time for the folks over at Aux Delices Bakery last week as they chipped in some of the pastry fare for Republicans last week. Preparing some of the goods are (from left) Raymond Takla, baker; Mary Jo Mammoser, store manager; and David Earnest, store owner. (Staff photo by Randy Borst)

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