

# Souvenirs galore fill shelves for GOP convention memories

By MARY GNIEWEK

Though the Farmington area's approach to the Republican Convention is low-key, visitors can find a few GOP souvenirs around town and at least one restaurant willing to open for them at any hour.

If at least 30 hungry Republicans request reservations 24 hours in advance at Bill Knapp's Restaurant, 3650 Grand River, the Farmington Hills eatery will open anytime during the hours it is usually closed.

A survey of other restaurants in the area found no special accommodations planned.

"We'll get a spill off of breakfast meetings and occasional dinners, but

## Firm appointments vice president

James P. Young has been elected vice president-regional manager for Michigan by Mortgage Guaranty Insurance Corp.

Young brings to his new position several years' experience in sales and sales management.

He joined MGIC in 1974 after being with International Harvester as a financial analyst.

all the action will be downtown Detroit," said Edward Lane, executive director of the Farmington area Chamber of Commerce.

Most convention memorabilia is also downtown, but bits and pieces can be found locally.

Elephant figurines made of crushed oyster shells from the Philippines sell for \$3.50 at Bolinas Reef in the Village Mall, 3333 Grand River. The specialty shop also has handcarved California redwood elephant sculptures selling for \$14.

"We're seeing an increase in customers this time of year, people not necessarily from this area," said Mary Cauley, shop owner.

Other shop owners in the Village Mall expressed similar views.

IF YOU'RE REALLY fond of elephants, the Bee Ton Shoppe, 23330 Farmington Road, sells petite pewter elephants for \$37.50. Pewter donkeys are available for diehard Democrats. Showing no party favoritism, they also sell for \$37.50.

The rest of the shop's convention gimmickry was shipped directly to its Renaissance Center location. But Detroit tote bags (\$10) and plastic shopping bags (50 cents) are available in Farmington.

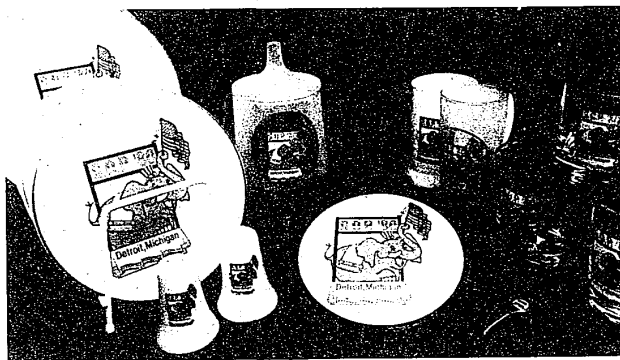
Convention t-shirts are available at Crowley's, 33250 West 12 Mile at Farmington Road. A variety of artsy motifs in blue and white are available for \$4.50.

Bargain-hunters will find convention T-shirts in all colors on the sales racks at Kmart, 37175 Grand River at Halsted. The shirts regularly sell for \$3.96 but can be bought for \$2.50 this week.

Hudson's is selling elephant hats for \$8. The red beanies have white ears and trunks attached.

The store is also marketing T-shirts, mugs, keychains, lapel pins, lighters, paper weights, pen and pencil sets, glassware, scarves, ashtrays, commemorative plates, tote bags, desk pads, posters and souvenir program books all bearing the Republican Party insignia.

Most of the goodies are available at Hudson's Twelve Oaks Mall store at 12 Mile and Novi roads.



These are just a few of the items which delegates will be able to take home as remembrances of their week at the 1980 GOP convention. (Staff photo)

## Delegates ponder running mate

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Westland, a delegate committed to Reagan.

"Jack Kemp certainly has the credentials in his own right. He'd make an excellent vice president, but we need someone whose views are different than Reagan's."

"Different views can intersect more interest in the ticket."

While Reagan will attract his own corps of supporters, church groups and anti-ERA factions, she sees a need for a balance ticket.

"We need someone to represent the rest of the population. Bush is an excellent campaigner. He's good in foreign affairs."

BUT ANOTHER Reagan delegate, Haline Frizelle of Farmington Hills believes the choice should reflect

Reagan's policies.

Ms. Frizelle is the Oakland County coordinator for the Reagan campaign.

"I could live with several of them — Kemp, (Phillip M.) Crane representative from Illinois and (Paul) Laxalt (representative from Nevada)."

"No way. (Bush's) not for me. I never cared for him as a presidential candidate," she said.

"They should pick someone close to Reagan's philosophy and principles because of his age. I worked for Reagan's philosophy and principles. The man running with him must have the same views as much as possible."

While the party rallies around Reagan, there is a division over such issues as abortion and ERA, said Ms. Newell.

"I'm extremely disappointed they're not going to continue their support of

ERA," she said.

She is disappointed about the party's condemnation of abortion.

"I'M AGAINST abortion but I'm in favor of the right of choice," she said.

"Women should have the right to make their own decision. The government has no right to tell what they can or can not do in a matter as personal as that," Ms. Newell said.

She sees the party split between long-time Republicans and persons who are more interested in Reagan than in the party's long-standing philosophy.

"I talk about Reaganites and Republicans. To me Reagan is a Republican. Many supporters consider themselves as Reaganites first. The anti-ERA platform is not a platform of Republicans but a platform of Reaganites."

"The ERA platform hasn't been approved by the convention itself," said Ms. Stadler. "I'm sorry they didn't take a stand for ERA this year. I support ERA. It's not detrimental to the family. It's a step forward and one that's long overdue."

"That segment of the platform will engender some controversy. I doubt if there are enough votes to change it," she added.

Platform support of ERA was squashed by a vote of 40-7. To bring the issue at the convention as a minority report requires 87 committee votes.

AN OPPONENT of ERA, Ms. Frizelle supports the platform committee's choice.

"I'm against abortion because it teaches people a lesser value for life. It concerns an innocent life that doesn't have a chance," she said.

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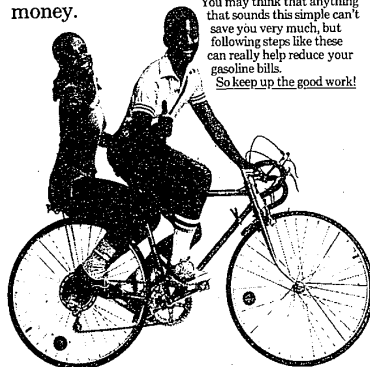
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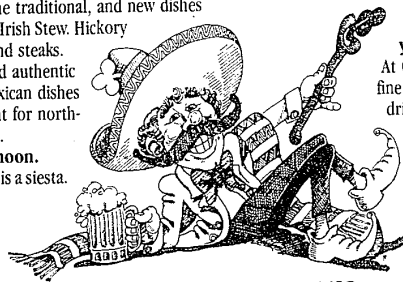
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