

Bush, Meese, Baker, Deaver, etc.

Everyone but the pres will be at Oakland GOP bash

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With a menu of caviar, smoked whitefish in lettuce leaves, mushrooms stuffed with crab meat, quiche lorraine and roast tenderloin served in a country club setting, you might think Sunday's pre-Super Bowl bash in honor of George Bush was planned for months by the Oakland County Republican Committee.

"We put it together in days," said Marian Dalton. "They called us and asked us if we could put it together in 10 days. We jumped at the chance of a lifetime." Bush

"We had Glen-Oaks 24 hours later. Normally you'd agonize for six months."

MRS. DALTON, of Bloomfield Township, is vice chairperson of the Birmingham Republican Women's Club. Husband Bob is finance director of the county GOP.

Not only the vice president of the United States but several top Reagan administration officials will be attending the fund-raiser from 12:30-3 p.m. Sunday at Glen-Oaks, the once-private golf club now owned by the county.

Edwin Meese III, counsel to the president; James A. Baker III, White House chief of staff; Michael K. Deaver, deputy chief of staff and presidential assistant; Drew Lewis, secretary of transportation; Richard Richards, chairman of

the Republican National Committee; U.S. Rep. William Broomfield, R-Birmingham, and their wives will be in the entourage.

Arrangements were made by the Daltons, county chairman Joseph K. Knollenberg of Birmingham, vice chairman Joan Lindner and executive director Robert Anderson.

TICKETS are available on a first-come, first-served basis from the Oakland County Republican Committee at 646-8414.

"It's just not true that this is 'private,'" said Mrs. Dalton, although the ticket price is \$125.

The Capitol press corps will not be around, by its own consent. Glen-Oaks' capacity is about 500, and the press corps declines to attend a function unless all reporters and photographers can get in, she said.

Before you multiply \$125 times 500 to find out how much the party will take in, there are some deductions to be made.

One is the cost of food, handled by the Oaks Management Corp. Then the cost of Secret Service protection for the time Bush is at Glen-Oaks must be subtracted.

"They figure that very carefully. They'll send us the bill," said Mrs. Dalton. "I don't know how much, but probably several thousand dollars."

What's left will go into the 1982 campaign chest of the Oakland Republican Committee.

HERE'S HOW the big party developed, as an excited Mrs. Dalton recalls it:

Congressman Broomfield and the Oakland GOP both had requests in to

the Republican National Committee for an administration speaker. Broomfield's number came up first.

"Bush could have come to the Super Bowl and just had a good time," she said. Instead he and the RNC chose to honor Broomfield's request.

The congressman, however, was unable to put together a fund-raiser without a large staff in the district, so he contacted the county GOP to see if they could handle it.

Bob Dalton, who heads an office equipment sales firm, turned the business over to his sons and went to work on a party for Bush.

The only place available during Super Bowl Sunday was Glen-Oaks, on 13 Mile between Middlebelt and Orchard Lake roads in Farmington Hills. Actually, it suited them fine because Glen-Oaks is a county facility. Republicans, who control county government, tend to speak proudly of the parks and

recreation commission's operations.

BUSH IS popular in local circles. Michigan voters supported him in the May 1980 presidential primary, even though the Ronald Reagan bandwagon was almost assured of success.

Transportation Secretary Drew Lewis is also considered a good catch in an automobile-manufacturing area which is struggling to finance a public transportation system.

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