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-- C-SPAN CAMERAS TRAVEL TO CHICAGO --

-- Cable Network Focuses on Illinois Politics / Republican Mainstream Convention --

WASHINGTON, D.C.-- C-SPAN cable network's "Campaign '86" election series hits the campaign trail this month with a trip to Chicago for a closer look at Illinois politics.

Chicago has been targeted as the first stop on C-SPAN's 16-state "Campaign '86" tour for coverage of the hottly contested statewide elections. Also, the first annual meeting of the Republican Mainstream Committee (RMC) coincides with C-SPAN's visit and RMC convention workshops and speeches are included in the cable network's Chicago programming line-up.

On April 24th at 9:30 pm EST, C-SPAN begins its four-day "Campaign '86" coverage, including more than 20 hours of live viewer call-ins, roundtable discussions, and RMC convention sessions originating from Chicago.

Call-in programs are an important ingredient in C-SPAN's election programming. C-SPAN's nationwide audience can participate in the process by phoning-in questions and comments for featured guests, including candidates for statewide office, state political party leaders, and local political scholars and journalists. C-SPAN viewers can also catch glimpses of the Windy City through "video vignettes" interspersed between programs.

C-SPAN's Chicago program schedule is as follows:

(Programs subject to change)

THURSDAY, APRIL 24

LIVE	9:30 pm ET/8:30 pm CT *	<u>VIEWER CALL-IN</u>
	Guest:	SEN. PAUL SIMON (D-IL)
	Topic:	Illinois politics

FRIDAY, APRIL 25

LIVE	2:00 pm ET/1:00 pm CT	<u>VIEWER CALL-IN</u>
	Guest:	SEN. ALAN DIXON (D-IL)
	Topic:	'86 Illinois U.S. Senate race
TAPED	3:00 pm ET/2:00 pm CT	<u>EXECUTIVE BREAKFAST CLUB SPEECH</u> (Oakbrook, IL)
	Speaker:	HOWARD BAKER, Former Republican Senator from Tenn.
	Topic:	Prospects for '88 presidential race

LIVE	5:00 pm ET/4:00 pm CT	<u>VIEWER CALL-IN</u>
	Guests:	JEFF MacNELLY, Cartoonist, <u>Chicago Tribune</u>
		DICK LOCHER, Cartoonist, <u>Chicago Tribune</u>
	Topic:	Political cartoons

LIVE	6:00 pm ET/5:00 pm CT	<u>VIEWER CALL-IN</u>
	Guest:	ANDREW MALCOLM, Chicago Bureau Chf., <u>The New York Times</u>
	Topic:	The farm crisis and its impact on Illinois politics
TAPED	7:00 pm ET/6:00 pm CT	<u>CAMPAIGN SPEECH</u> (Springfield, IL)
	Speaker:	NANCY STEVENSON, Spouse of Adlai E. Stevenson, III
	Topic:	Campaign speech on behalf of gubernatorial candidate husband, before IL School Administrators Association

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FRIDAY, APRIL 25 (cont'd)

TAPED	7:30 pm ET/6:30 pm CT	<u>C-SPAN INTERVIEW</u> Guest: JACK FULLER, Editorial Page Editor, <u>Chicago Tribune</u> and recent Pulitzer Prize winner
LIVE	8:00 pm ET/7:00 pm CT	<u>REPUBLICAN MAINSTREAM COMMITTEE (RMC) SPEECH</u> Speaker: REP. JIM LEACH (R-IA) Topic: Kick-off speech for the RMC convention
TAPED	9:00 pm ET/8:00 pm CT	<u>C-SPAN INTERVIEW</u> Guest: MIKE McKEON, President, McKeon & Associates Topic: Political polling/His predictions for LaRouche-backed candidates' primary victories
LIVE	9:30 pm ET/8:30 pm CT	<u>VIEWER CALL-IN</u> Guest: MARK FAIRCHILD, Candidate for IL Lt. Governor Topic: The IL Lt. Governors' race/His association with the LaRouche-backed National Democratic Policy Cmte.
TAPED	10:30 pm ET/9:30 pm CT *	<u>DEMOCRATS FOR THE '80s FUNDRAISING DINNER</u> "SENATE MAJORITY '86 DINNER" --(Taped in Washington, D.C. on April 22nd) Democratic dinner to raise funds for candidates in an effort to gain a Democratic majority in the U.S. Senate in '86. Speakers: SEN. GEORGE MITCHELL (D-ME) SHARON PERCY ROCKEFELLER PAMELA HARRIMAN, Chairperson, Democrats For The '80s ROBERT STRAUSS, Former Chair., Democratic National Cmte
REAIR	12:30 am ET/11:30 am CT	Howard Baker (R-TN) Executive Breakfast Club speech
REAIR	1:00 am ET/12:00 am CT	Viewer Call-In with Sen. Alan Dixon (D-IL)
REAIR	2:00 am ET/1:00 am CT	Viewer Call-In with <u>Chicago Tribune</u> cartoonists Jeff MacNelly and Dick Locher

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

REAIR	7:30 am ET/6:30 am CT	Viewer Call-In with Mark Fairchild, Candidate for IL Lt. Governor
REAIR	8:30 am ET/7:30 am CT	Viewer Call-In with <u>Chicago Tribune</u> cartoonists Jeff MacNelly and Dick Lochner
LIVE	9:30 am ET/8:30 am CT	<u>RMC CONVENTION ADDRESS</u> Speakers: SEN. DAVID DURENBERGER (R-MN) REP. BILL GREEN (R-NY) REP. TOM TAUKE (R-IA) Topic: Future of the Republican party
LIVE	11:30 am ET/10:30 am CT	<u>VIEWER CALL-IN</u> Guest: MARY LOUISE SMITH, Vice Chairperson, RMC and Former Chairperson, Republican National Committee Topic: Future of the Republican party
LIVE	12:00 pm ET/11:00 am CT	<u>RMC CONVENTION WORKSHOP</u> Topic: "Women's Rights & Civil Rights" Speakers: STATE REP. SUE CATANIA (R-IL) RALPH NEAS, Executive Director, Leadership Conference on Civil Rights
LIVE	1:00 pm ET/12:00 pm CT **	<u>ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION with IL POLITICAL SCIENCE PROFS.</u> Guests: DR. WILLIAM GRIMSHAW, Chairman, Dept. of Social Studies, Illinois Institute of Technology PAUL GREEN, Director of Institute for Public Policy, Governors State University DR. DORIS GRABER, Political Science Professor, University of Illinois at Chicago Topic: Illinois politics/'86 elections
LIVE	2:00 pm ET/1:00 pm CT	<u>RMC CONVENTION LUNCHEON SPEECH</u> Speaker: PIERRE DuPONT, Former Republican governor of Delaware Topic: Prospects for the '88 presidential race
LIVE	2:30 pm ET/1:30 pm CT	<u>VIEWER CALL-IN</u> Guest: To be announced.
LIVE	3:00 pm ET/2:00 pm CT	<u>RMC CONVENTION WORKSHOP</u> Topic: "The Radical Religious Right" Speaker: MARGARET SCHMIDT, National Field Director, People For the American Way

SATURDAY, APRIL 26 (cont'd)

LIVE	4:30 pm ET/3:30 pm CT	<u>VIEWER CALL-IN</u>
	Guest:	REP. JIM LEACH (R-IA), Chairman, RMC
	Topic:	Goals of the RMC/Future of the Republican party
LIVE	5:00 pm ET/4:00 pm CT	<u>RMC CONVENTION WORKSHOP</u>
	Topic:	"1986 Election Preview"
	Speakers:	STATE SEN. SUSAN McLANE (R-NH), Co-Chair, Women's Campaign Fund TOM THORNEN, Political Director, GOPAC
LIVE	6:00 pm ET/5:00 pm CT	<u>VIEWER CALL-IN</u>
	Guest:	CALVIN SUTKER, Chairman, IL State Democratic Party
	Topic:	'86 Illinois statewide elections

SUNDAY, APRIL 27

REAIR	8:00 am ET/7:00 am CT	Interview with Mike McKeon, President, McKeon & Assocs.
REAIR	9:00 am ET/8:00 am CT	Viewer Call-In with Mark Fairchild, Candidate for Illinois Lt. Governor
	10:00 am ET/9:00 am CT	To be announced.
LIVE	11:00 am ET/10:00 am CT	<u>RMC CONVENTION SPEECHES</u>
	Speakers:	SEN. ROBERT DOLE (R-KS) JOHN BUCHANAN, Director, People For The American Way
	Topic:	Future of the Republican party/Prospects for '86 and '88 elections
LIVE	1:00 pm ET/12:00 pm CT (One Hour)	<u>VIEWER CALL-IN</u>
	Guests:	STEVE NEAL, Political Writer, <u>Chicago Tribune</u> BASIL TALBOTT, Political Editor, <u>Chicago Sun-Times</u>
	Topic:	Illinois politics/'86 statewide elections
LIVE	6:00 pm ET/5:00 pm CT	<u>VIEWER CALL-IN</u>
	Guest:	STATE REP. JUDY KOEHLER (R-IL), Candidate for Senate
	Topic:	'86 Illinois U.S. Senate race
LIVE	7:00 pm ET/6:00 pm CT (One hour)	<u>VIEWER CALL-IN</u>
	Guest:	ADLAI E. STEVENSON, III, Democratic candidate for Illinois governor
	Topic:	'86 Illinois gubernatorial race
REAIR	9:30 pm ET/8:30 pm CT	Viewer Call-In with Steve Neal, Political Writer, <u>Chicago Tribune</u> and Basil Talbott, Political Editor, <u>Chicago Sun-Times</u>
REAIR	10:30 pm ET/9:30 pm CT	Viewer Call-In with State Rep. Judy Keohler (R-IL)
REAIR	11:30 pm ET/10:30 pm CT	Viewer Call-In with Adlai E. Stevenson, III

Throughout the year, C-SPAN plans to present a broad cross section of the U.S. Senate and Gubernatorial races waging across the country by travelling to 16 states for coverage of key elections shaping-up nationwide. St. Louis is the next stop on the "Campaign '86" tour where C-SPAN cameras will focus on the Missouri Senate race (May 2-4).

Nationally, C-SPAN can be seen in 24.5 million households, via 2,250 affiliated cable systems. Nearly one million homes in the Chicago metropolitan area can tune-in to C-SPAN's round-the-clock public affairs programming. For the C-SPAN channel number in your area, contact your local cable operator.

Viewer Call-In phone numbers: (ILLINOIS) (202) 628-2525
All Other States (202) 783-2727

* Programs originate from Washington, D.C.

** A "C-SPAN In The Classroom" program intended to incorporate the observations of local scholars into C-SPAN productions and to increase the awareness and understanding of C-SPAN programming among students and teachers.