**W** is for the walloping that your synapses will take.

**R** is for the rich quality of life that we all enjoy because of Professional Wrestling.

 ${f E}$  is for the extraordinarily protruding foreheads (on the wrestlers, not the party guests).

**S** is for the steroids – they've never taken them! They just exercise a lot and eat well!

**T** is for Tandy, Jessica – 3-time Women's World Champion in the late '30's/early '40's.

 $\mathbf{L}$  is for the little brains that fit into those extraordinarily protruding foreheads.

**E** is for the endomorphs sitting at ringside.

 $\mathbf{M}$  is for the magic moment when you first realize that Professional Wrestling is life.

A is for the artful way one athlete kicks another in the groin.

 $\mathbf{N}$  is for the nervous tic that you will develop halfway through the first match.

I is for the Ivy League, at which 85% of the wrestlers hold university chairs.

A is for the aftertaste of this event that you'll be trying to spit out for a week.

is for the space you need to leave between words.

I is for the Imprimatur that the Pope has bestowed upon this invitation.

**X** is for the X-rays taken right after the matches (on both the wrestlers and party guests).

is for the sound Rich Little makes when he impersonates Marcel Marceau.

**P** is for the problem dreams that will persist long after this party is over.

A is for the ashrams where the wrestlers study how to hide foreign objects in their trunks.

 $\mathbf{R}$  is for the righteous indignation that I'll show when my guy is cheated out of a win.

**T** is for the tranquility that this miracle brings to our souls.

Y is for the yeast infections.

Put them all together and you've got a

# WRESTLEMANIA IX PARTY

Sunday, April 4, 1993 @ 4:00 p.m.

Mike McNulty 98.6 Averagetemperature Street San Francisco, CA 94115 (109) 901-6969 I can hear all of your highly charged reactions now:

- "I was hoping he'd have another party!"
- "Oh good! It's that time of year again!"
- "I don't really care about the wrestling, but it's always fun getting together at Mike's!"
- "Christ Almighty! We didn't respond to him last year! We didn't respond to him the year before that! And we didn't respond to him the year before that! You'd think he'd have gotten the hint by now. Why in the name of chubby Buddha does he keep bothering us with these idiotic WrestleMania party invitations? I was hoping it wouldn't come to this, Edna, but call your brother Stan. It looks like we're going to have to take out a restraining order against that friggin' imbecile McNulty!"

Christmas, Thanksgiving, New Year's Eve, Valentine's Day, Bea Arthur's birthday, the first day of Spring, Boxing Day (Canada), WrestleMania Sunday happy, emotional days that come but once a year. So we celebrate! But this year, let's not allow another sacred WrestleMania to pass without opening our hearts to those less fortunate than we are. Those whose lives are not full, who have a void, who are straying from their moral center, solely because of the lack of Professional Wrestling in their lives. I am dedicating myself to ensuring that as many people as possible get to see this year's blessed event. But I need your help! In order for the blind to see, the deaf to hear, the whatever-you're-allowed-tocall-the-dumb-today to speak, and the wrestling-deprived to believe, they must first be exposed to the miracle. Therefore, please bring some people with you who have not yet had the annual luxury that you and I have had of celebrating this joyous event. Bring those whom I have not met, but who should not be left alone during this glorious day that must be spent among family and friends. They will thank you for lifting their clouds of confusion and aimlessness and giving them a reason and direction. And I will thank you for introducing me to potential wrestling soulmates who will then be put in the extremely awkward position of having to continually change their addresses in order to stop receiving the deluge of wrestling-related information that I will mail to them.

While last year's party featured me sneaking up on you and asking wrestling-related questions while you tried to talk, eat, or avoid me, I thought that this year I would introduce a new feature – I will ask the questions early in this invitation; answer them later in this invitation; and then chair a 8-hour multi-media seminar about each of the topics. Since none of you attempted to answer even one of the questions last year, I think this will work a lot better, don't you? (That does not count as a question, so no points are given for answering "HELL, NO!" at the top of your lungs.) Here now are this year's questions (and, frankly, their absolute ease makes me blanch): 1) Whom did Hulk Hogan defeat to win his first two WWF crowns? 2) Who was special guest referee (out of the ring) for the main event at WrestleMania I? 3) Which overrated, overweight, balding, steroid-riddled, bleached blonde has-been has appeared in the most WrestleManiae? 4) How did the ease of these questions turn me into Blanche?

And you talk about your world-class celebrities?! (Please talk about them so I know that you're not talking about the lack of segue between the last paragraph and this one.) You want celebrities?! You got 'em! In addition to the 6 National Football League all-stars who will be in the corner of former New York Giant and eventual Hall of Famer Lawrence Taylor, WrestleMania will have people who are so famous that you've probably never even heard of them! How's this for a "Who's Who" of eventual "Trivial Pursuit" answers?

**Pamela Anderson** from "Baywatch," the world's most popular television show (Take a bow, world.), will be accompanying Shawn Michaels to ringside for his World Heavyweight Championship match. She shamelessly ogled him during his win at January's Royal Rumble (going so far as to jump into the ring with him after his match to try to touch him during his victory poses), but "The Boy Toy" told her to hit the bricks. To try to relive her anguish, she went out and, on the rebound, married some ham-'n-egger just 3 weeks later. She still obviously carries a torch for "The Heartbreak Kid," though, and he is graciously giving her one final thrill – he is allowing her to walk arm-in-arm with him to the ring for his date with destiny.

**Nicholas Turturro**, who plays detective James Martinez on "NYPD Blue," has been appearing on WWF telecasts for the last couple of weeks, trying to find out what has happened to the missing Paul Bearer, Yokozuna, and Mr. Fuji. If he's half the detective that I think he is, not only will he solve this case, but he'll show us his fanny while he's doing it.

**Jonathan Taylor Thomas**, from the number 1 television show "Home Improvement" and last week's number 1 movie "Man Of The House," will also be involved in this star-studded extravaganza. While I'm not sure what his duties are going to be at WrestleMania XI, anyone who can carry Chevy Chase's sorry carcass around the big screen for 90 minutes should have no trouble here.

**Fishbone** has earned the honor of singing "America, The Beautiful" this year. They're dope, they're fresh, they're def, they're phat, they're fly, they're stupid, they're living large, they're hellafine, they're all that and a bag of chips, and they're all the way in effect, know what I'm saying?! (I have no idea what any of that means, but I heard Arsenio Hall say it once when he was trying to act Black.)

**Jenny McCarthy**, from MTV, will be the timekeeper at the bell for the championship match. I'm proud to say that I don't have the slightest idea who she is.

Since I'm sure the suspense is killing you, the next page lists all of the matches that have been announced. But if your favorite wrestler is not listed here, dry those teary eyes! There are always plenty of surprises at WrestleMania, so your cherished hero may still indeed be involved.

#### "The Heartbreak Kid" Shawn Michaels "Big Daddy Cool" Diesel vs. Champion Challenger With Bodyguard Psycho Sid Accompanied By Pamela Anderson of "Baywatch" "I Demand Your Respect" Match **Bam Bam Bigelow** Lawrence Taylor vs. Managed By Ted DiBiase Accompanied By Team NFL Accompanied By DiBiase's (Ken Norton, Jr., Ricky Jackson, Million Dollar Corporation Reggie White, Steve McMichael, (King Kong Bundy, IRS, Carl Banks, & Chris Spielman) Tatanka, & Nikolai Volkoff) **InterContinental Championship Match Razor Ramon** Jeff Jarrett vs. Challenger Champion Accompanied By Roadie Wold Tag Team Championship Match Men On A Mission The Smoking Gunns vs. Mo & Mabel Billy & Bart Gunn Champions Challengers Accompanied By Oscar World Women's Championship Match **Alundra Blayze Bull Nakano** VS. Challenger Champion **For Revenge** Tatanka Lex Luger vs. Managed By Ted DiBiase For The Urn **King Kong Bundy** The Undertaker VS. Managed by Ted DiBiase Managed By Paul Bearer "I Quit" Match Mr. Bob Backlund **Bret Hart** vs. **Battle Of The Brothers-In-Law Owen Hart Davey Boy Smith** VS.

## World Heavyweight Championship Match

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As has been the case for the last III WrestleManiae, 9 out of 10 dentists surveyed recommended that Mike McNulty be awarded the honor of hosting the official World Wrestling Federation West Coast WrestleMania Party. The reasons for this bequeathment, unfortunately, have been sealed by the United States Congress and will remain so until 25 years after the death of everyone involved. No weight should be given to the rumor that he was awarded this honor because he had the nerve to use the word "bequeathment" in an invitation that he knew would be read by many writers and editors.

Mike's apartment is within 3 blocks of San Francisco's MUNI bus lines 1 (California), 2 (Clement), 24 (Divisadero), and 38 (Geary). Since parking can be tough in his neighborhood, he advises you to take the bus and strike up a conversation with the many aristocratic, bus-riding Professional Wrestling fans for which San Francisco is rightly celebrated.

Please call Mike or drop him a note to let him know if you can make it so that he'll have a general idea of how many ringside seats to make available at his apartment. Also, please tell him how annoying it is when he refers to himself in the third-person as if he's a professional basketball player or something.

### **ANSWERS:**

Before I go any further (and there really is no further to go since this is the last paragraph), I know that all of you are eager to get the answers to the thought-provoking wrestling questions I asked just a few pages back. As official WrestleMania Party Host, I will be glad to initial this answer page for those of you who need to file it with your government of choice in order to keep your federal grants. So without further doodoo, here are the answers: 1) Hulk Hogan defeated The Iron Sheik and Randy "Macho Man" Savage to win his first two WWF crowns. 2) Muhammad Ali was the special guest referee (out of the ring) for the main event at WrestleMania I. 3) Hulk Hogan is the overrated, overweight, balding, steroid-riddled, bleached blonde has-been who has appeared in the most WrestleManiae. Partial credit was given for answering "Shelly Winters". 4) I took estrogen to turn me into Blanche.