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"Welcome aboard," says a remarkable big hand to our bus driver, Captain Joseph Hazelwood, formerly of the Exxon Valdez. With that, the Scandal Tours bus is off for a jaunt past the more lurid landmarks of Washington, D.C., where over the years reputations have been ruined, careers squashed, and governments disgraced. Tour guides, actors from the local comedy troupes Gross National Product, wickedly impersonate Dan Quayle, "Tipper Gore," and G. Gordon Liddy. "Tipper" is the National Rifle Association, where they are erecting a statue to Carl Roman; the Tidal Basin, where the stripper Fanne Foxe took her impulsive mid-night dip; and the Capitol steps, where

Congressman John Jenrette and his wife Fawn did more than dance in the moonlight. Hazelwood, prints out the Old Executive Office Building, "or Shred Central," which was barred from the Supreme Court for his college-days flirtation with marijuana, talks about "high court." Though this is an innovative alternative to the usual tour of D.C. monuments, it is troubling that, at \$24 a head, this smur-driven theater on wheels is now in its second month. Certainly, the sharp-tongued guides will never be at a loss for new material. (Scandal Tours are scheduled on Saturdays and Sundays at two and four P.M. Private charters are available during the week. For tickets and information, call 202-387-2253.) —Mary Kelly

Congressman prefer blondes: an eccentric satirical group takes on the capital.

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They were not only interested. They were chanting 'Vis-ta! Vis-ta!' Gross National Products Scandal Tours co-owner RICK LONDON, on how a tour group responded when asked if they were interested in seeing the Washington Vista Hotel, site of Mayor Marion Barry's arrest

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Washington D.C.

Scandalous as it may seem, the hottest tour in Washington bypasses the Smithsonian and zeroes in on Gary Hart's townhouse, the Old Executive Office Building of Fawn Hall and Oliver North fame and other spots of dubious distinction. The Saturday-only "Scandal Tour" includes cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, an irreverent seventy-five-minute tour via ScandaLimo and a performance of Gross National Product's comedy review at d.c. space for \$42.50 (\$20 for the tour only). Call the ScandaLine. (301) 369-1986.

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Tourgate

One thing is perfectly clear: Richard Nixon is not leading tours of crooked D.C. That's an impersonator who, along with a faux Fawn, a double Donna and other fake district denizens, makes the rounds of capital hot spots with Scandal Tours. For \$20 the comedy troupe promises Washington's best dirt. Offers "Marilyn Quayle," who appears without her spouse, "As you all know, Dan lives in another century, and that poses scheduling problems."