



# The STEVENS CHICAGO

**1927** - Hotel hosts the Motion Picture Association Ball (2 days after opening) serving 3,000 movie stars and legendary presenter, director Cecil B. de Mille.

**1946** - Hilton Hotels Corporation is formed and Hilton Chicago becomes the corporate headquarters.

**1948** - The Boulevard Supper Club opens featuring elaborate ice shows. Its legendary maître d', Phil Itta, is rumored to have created the Shirley Temple.

**1959** - The hotel established a Guinness World Record for the LARGEST NUMBER OF PEOPLE AT A MEAL - 7,200.

**1960** - During the 1960 Republican convention, a Great Ladies Luncheon Tableau is presented.

**1984** - The largest and most expensive (\$185 million) hotel renovation ever undertaken.

**1976** - King Gustav of Sweden visits the hotel while in Chicago.

**1985** - The Hilton Chicago & Towers re-opens.

**1989 - Present** - Hilton Chicago becomes a star having appeared in The Package, The Fugitive, Home Alone II, My Best Friend's Wedding, Road to Perdition, Primal Fear, Little Fockers, ER, Chicago PD, Chicago Fire, and Empire.

**2011** - Hotel embarks on a \$150 million renovation, completed during the winter of 2017.

**2011** - Hosts welcome dinner for Chinese President Hu Jintao.

**2013** - The Conrad Hilton Suite undergoes a \$1.8 million renovation.



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2009

**1927** - The Stevens Hotel, later known as the Hilton Chicago, opens with 3,000 guestrooms and welcomes the Vice President of the time, Charles G. Dawes as its first registered guest.

**1942** - During World War II, the hotel was taken over by the military to be used by the U.S. Air Force as a Technical Training School.

**1945** - Conrad Hilton purchases The Stevens Hotel for \$7.5 million.

**1951** - The hotel is renamed the Conrad Hilton.

**1959** - Queen Elizabeth II visits the hotel for a dinner held in her honor, sponsored by the City of Chicago.

**1962** - The hotel opens the Hilton Center, adding a massive 75,000 sq ft of function space, becoming the largest meeting facility in the world.

**1969** - Commemorative luncheon for the crew of Apollo 8.

**2008** - Former President Obama's cabinet selection occurs in the Waldorf Room.

**1994** - Hotel renamed Hilton Chicago.

**2008** - Home to 150 of the 2008 USA Summer Olympians during their appearance on the Oprah Show.

**2009** - The hotel holds its EIGHTH Presidential Press Conference.

