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U.S.G.A. RULES

DATE July 28, 1972

SCORER George P. Schultz

ATTEST Paul F. Kemp

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

5/14/71

Alex

If possible I
think the President
should read what
they have prepared
& cross out anything
he doesn't want or
add if he pleases.

No one else can
do this.

Thanks Ron

our file is
attached!

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 5

Bob.

I do not plan to
forward this to the
President until Friday
afternoon.

A

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 5, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD *A*

SUBJECT: Golfing Presidents -- A Chapter
in Burning Tree's "Club History"

The Burning Tree Club is about to update its history -- one written back in 1962 -- with the expectation of releasing the new publication on the Club's 50th anniversary in December 1972.

According to Howard C. Westwood, the member responsible for preparing the new text, one chapter will be devoted exclusively to golfing Presidents of the United States. He will draw from information provided in a third person memorandum sent to the Club sometime ago by President Eisenhower ... and from anecdotes volunteered by the families of other golfing Presidents beginning with President Taft.

Westwood's prime interest now is you and your golfing past; and although he would like very much to receive from you a detailed memorandum as he did from Ike (not for attribution, of course), I feel certain that I can relay to him whatever additions, deletions or error corrections you might wish to make to the attached draft.

Attachment

*Ok this w/ Rose Woods -
We went thru this whole exercise
a year or so ago & there's no
point in repeating it. (We could
not give
them anything
special but
apparently
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helped them.)*

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

12/28/70

Dear Maggie:

It would be wonderful, if the Secretary could find the time to come up with an appropriate anecdote for the Burning Tree history.

Many thanks.

RMWoods

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Dear Rose,

David and Daddy have
played at Burring Tree
together. But we can think

of no anecdotes. I wish I
could think of something.

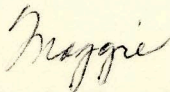
Maybe Bete has an idea. All I
know is that Daddy has really
helped my game. He is a very
patient teacher & player. He
has, at various times, helped
Tricia, brother and me with
our games.

Love, Felix

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
THE SECRETARY

Marge -

This is the 40 year history
of Burning Tree Rose asked about.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Maggie".

Maggie Runkle

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 22, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MISS WOODS

The attached letter from Howard Westwood was handed to the President by Bill Rogers.

The President would like to cooperate in this and asked me to send it to you to see if you could work something out that would be helpful to them and handle it directly with Secretary Rogers.



H. R. HALDEMAN

Attachment

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June 15, 1970

The Honorable William P. Rogers
Secretary
Department of State
2201 C Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Bill:

I, and some others, are beginning work on a supplement to the Burning Tree History. The present History carried the story through its first forty years - to 1962. The supplement will cover the following decade and will come out as a mark of the fiftieth anniversary - in late 1972.

Can you help us on one very important point?

I want to bring through 1972 the golf of Presidents of the United States. In the original History - which doubtless you have on your shelves - the last chapter was a story of their golf through Kennedy. I think it is a unique bit of Americana. To be added would be the golf of Presidents Johnson and Nixon.

At page 227 of the original History, just after treating of President Eisenhower, there is a paragraph on Vice President Nixon. But we should have, of course, something much fuller - comparable to the material we had on Presidents Wilson and Eisenhower, for instance.

A reading of that chapter in the original History will demonstrate, I believe, that the subject is dealt with with appropriate dignity.

The Honorable William P. Rogers
June 15, 1970
Page 2.

In its writing I had the help of Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Roosevelt, Charlie Taft, President Eisenhower himself, and Joe Kennedy (via Bill Lawrence). I would hope that in treating of Presidents Nixon and Johnson we can get similarly direct information. (Through Tom Belshe we got a great memorandum prepared by President Eisenhower; it was understood that it would not be quoted or attributed.)

You were the President's particular companion at Burning Tree when he was Vice President. He has not played there much since he became President, though we all hope he will play there more. In any case I have thought that you might help us get, in regard to his golf, the kind of information and anecdote, whether or not directly related to Burning Tree, that we had for the earlier Presidents. One special point, of course, might be anecdote concerning his golf with his son-in-law because of the link with President Eisenhower.

I would be deeply grateful were you able to give us a lift. I want to begin blocking out the supplement shortly after Labor Day.

Finally, it would be wonderful were we able to get a picture of the President on the course - especially with his son-in-law. A National Geographic photographer is helping us with pictures. Were the President willing I could get the photographer out to Burning Tree at any time.

Yours,


Howard C. Westwood

HCW:cth

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 30, 1971

MEMO FOR DWIGHT CHAPIN

Dwight, I discussed the attached with Ray Price and we decided that it probably should have come to your office since what they want is not a message but a memorandum "not for attribution" ^{the} as stated in the last paragraph.



Eliska Hasek

Att.

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April 26, 1971

Memo Chapin

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The Honorable Richard M. Nixon
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20025

Dear Mr. President:

The Burning Tree Club will issue, in 1972, a supplement to the Club's History that was published in 1962. This will mark the Club's fiftieth anniversary. I am in charge of preparing the supplement, as I was in the case of the original History.

In the History we had a chapter on the golf of Presidents of the United States. Nowhere else has this subject been written of. Based on a third person memorandum sent us by President Eisenhower, and on material from the families of the other golfing Presidents, beginning with President Taft, our chapter was, I believe, a significant and interesting story.

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Respectfully yours,

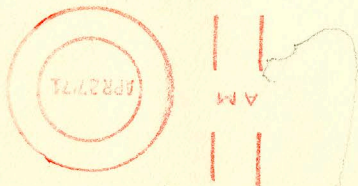
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SPECIAL NOTICE

BURNING TREE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP - 1970

QUALIFYING ROUNDS START SAT. AUG. 22ND. AND ALL QUALIFYING MUST BE COMPLETED BY SUN. SEPT. 6TH.

THE PRO SHOP MUST BE NOTIFIED PRIOR TO THE START OF ANY QUALIFYING ROUND. ALL ENTRIES MUST QUALIFY WITH 36 HOLES OF MEDAL PLAY.

FLIGHTS OF 16 PLAYERS EACH WILL BE ORGANIZED, AND POSTED, BASED ON THE QUALIFICATION SCORES. THE CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT WILL BE PLAYED AT SCRATCH, ALL OTHER FLIGHTS WILL BE PLAYED ON THE BASIS OF CURRENT CLUB HANDICAPS. THE FULL DIFFERENCE IN HANDICAP WILL APPLY. IN CASE OF A TIE FOR QUALIFYING IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT THE LOWER HANDICAP PLAYER WILL BE SELECTED. TIES FOR ALL OTHER FLIGHTS WILL BE DECIDED BY A MATCHING OF NET SCORES OF THE LAST THREE HOLES; LAST SIX HOLES; ETC., OF THE LAST QUALIFYING ROUND.

SINCE THE PRESENTATION OF PRIZES WILL BE ONE OF THE FEATURE EVENTS OF THE FALL PARTY DINNER, IT IS MANDATORY THAT THE TOURNAMENT BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO OCTOBER 10TH.

TO INSURE COMPLETION OF THE TOURNAMENT, THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BY THE GOLF COMMITTEE:

1ST AND 2ND ROUNDS COMPLETE BY SEPTEMBER 27TH.

3RD ROUND COMPLETE BY OCTOBER 4TH.

FINAL ROUND COMPLETE BY OCTOBER 10TH.

AS SOON AS THE FLIGHTS ARE POSTED, LOCATE YOUR OPPONENT AND PLAY YOUR MATCH. IF YOU AND YOUR OPPONENT CANNOT AGREE ON A MUTUAL DATE, PLEASE CONTACT THE COMMITTEE FOR A DECISION.

GOLF COMMITTEE
PLINY HOLT, CHAIRMAN

AUG 17 1970
GENERAL FILES

MARY RAWLINS

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BURNING TREE CLUB
Bethesda, Maryland 20034

October 22, 1969

To All Members

Subject: Hole-in-One Insurance Fund

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Participation in the Insurance Fund has exceeded all expectations. The amount in the Fund now equals \$850.00 (170 participants at \$5.00 per head). This amount is far in excess of that which a member might be called upon to pay out for drinks in the event he made a hole-in-one. The excess creates the possibility of a lottery in violation of local law.

Since the original purpose of the Fund was merely to provide reimbursement, a new format has been established as follows:

1. When any participant in the Fund shoots a hole-in-one, he will be awarded \$350.00 from the Fund. This should be more than adequate to reimburse him for any cost he might incur. On this basis, the amount presently in the Fund is more than sufficient to cover two holes-in-one. In addition, a suitable memento will be provided.
2. When the amount in the Fund drops below \$350.00, each participant will be charged an additional \$5.00, thereby bringing the amount in the Fund up to a level to handle several future holes-in-one.

This notice is being posted on the bulletin board at the Club and will become effective as of today.

Hubert A. Schneider
President

BURNING TREE CLUB
Urges all of its members to return to

T H E F A L L P A R T Y

ON

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1969

We will use this occasion to honor another outstanding member,

WILLIAM P. ROGERS
Secretary of State

Our Master of Ceremonies - John Charles Daly - may let the Secretary say a few words.

Here is what you may look forward to:

GOLF	Arrange for your own pidgeons and starting times.
REFRESHMENTS	For the two or three of you who may need it, we have arranged for several oases on the golf course.
PRIZES	Something for almost everyone.
LUNCHEON	The usual excellent luncheon - 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
COCKTAILS	5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. - on the lawn, please.
MUSIC	Of course! Rivers Chambers and his boys.
SINGING	Individual and group participation.
DINNER	7:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse.
ENTERTAINMENT	None, except as may be provided by our own irrepressible members. However, Club championship prizes will be awarded.
GUESTS	NONE WHOMSOEVER! This is a party for members only. On the other hand, John Daly may have a mystery guest - you never know.
DRESS	No dinner jackets, please.
PRICE	\$25.00 includes everything. Who could possibly complain.

NOW!!! Fill in the enclosed card, and return it NOW!!!

Reservations and cancellations close completely
at the close of business, Wednesday, October 8th.

DAVID E. BETTS, Chairman
Special Events Committee

BURNING TREE CLUB
ANNUAL FALL PARTY

on
Saturday, October 10, 1970

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We will use this occasion to honor another outstanding member

BARRY M. GOLDWATER
U. S. Senator - Arizona
1964 Republican Presidential Candidate

Master of Ceremonies
JOHN CHARLES DALY

- Program of Events -

<u>GOLF</u>	Arrange your own foursome and starting time - Inform the Pro Shop.
<u>REFRESHMENTS</u>	Several oases will be strategically located on the course for your survival.
<u>LUNCHEON</u>	Delectable Buffet in the Dining Room, 11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
<u>COCKTAILS</u>	On the Clubhouse Lawn, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<u>ENTERTAINMENT</u>	Music by the appealing Rivers Chambers Trio. Songs and Hymns by Burning Tree's most "talented" members. (No tomato throwing, unless removed from cans. We must protect our own!)
<u>DINNER</u> and <u>PRIZES</u>	7:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse. The annual Club championship trophy will be awarded during the dinner period. Also, the winner and runner-up of each flight will be announced.
<u>DRESS</u>	Informal.
<u>PRICE</u>	\$25.00 per person for the entire day's activities.
<u>GUESTS</u>	Very sorry - Because of limited facilities the Fall Party is for members only.
<u>RESERVATIONS</u>	Reservations and cancellations close Wednesday, October 7th.

Please indicate on the enclosed card whether you plan to attend or not - mail now!

E. O'Donnell, Chairman
Special Events Committee



BOX 12458
PALM BEACH GARDENS, FLORIDA 33403

MAX ELBIN

X
Burning Tree Club
Bethesda, Maryland
September 14, 1970

Miss Rose Mary Woods
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Woods:

A short time ago I spoke to you by telephone regarding a number of photographs of the Ryder Cup Team Official Party which President Nixon told me he would be pleased to autograph. These were taken last year prior to our departure for the matches in England.

We are putting together an album for each member of the party. Therefore, I am particularly interested in having the President sign these twenty copies which will make each album a wonderful memento of the matches and our visit to the White House.

Names to be inscribed on each photograph are as follows:

X each {
LEE TREVINO
RAYMOND FLOYD
MILLER BARBER
TOMMY AARON
SAM SNEAD
DAVE HILL
DAN SIKES
FRANK BEARD
GENE LITTLER
DALE DOUGLASS

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KEN STILL
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JACK NICKLAUS
MAX ELBIN
LEO FRASER
WARREN ORLICK
BOB CREASEY
DUGAN AYCOCK
HAROLD SARGENT
HARRY MOFFITT

Thank you very much for assisting me in this matter.
12SE691956-14A inscribed.

To Max Elbin
To Frank Beard
To Harry Moffitt
To Harold Sargent
To Dugan Aycock
To Bob Creasey
To Warren Orlick

To Lee Trevino
To Leo Fraser
To Jack Nicklaus
To Billy Casper
To Ken Still
To Dale Douglass
To Gene Littler
To Dave Hill
To Dan Sikes

To Sam Snead
To Tommy Aaron
To Miller Barber
To Raymond Floyd

Sincerely,

Max Elbin

With best wishes,
Richard Nixon

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Burning Tree Club
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SIXTH ANNUAL FATHER-SON (Son-In-Law) (Grandson) TOURNAMENT
Sunday September 6th

SIT DOWN LUNCHEON 12:00 Noon-12:45 PM (First tee, weather permitting).

TEE OFF 1:00 PM..... Shotgun start if necessary.

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Fathers will use their established handicaps; sons (etc.) will have handicaps computed for them on the basis of the day's game by the Callaway System.

PRIZES AWARDED BY TEAM:..... Low net & low gross by age groups.
(15-under; 16-21; 22-over)

Awards will be made in the 19th hole

ENTRY: Please advise the club office regarding your entry not later than Wednesday, September 2nd.

FEE: \$15.00 per team

Take this opportunity to team up once again with your son (etc.) before the season comes to a close.

Pliny Holt

Chairman, Golf Committee

EXECUTIVE

PR 14-12

August 7, 1970

Dear Bob:

I was happy to learn that Fred Russell and George Shultz got into Burning Tree. I know this wouldn't have happened without your strong support. I am most grateful and I hope one day to see you at the Club.

With appreciation and best wishes,

Sincerely,

RW

Mr. Robert M. Clark
Chairman
Membership Committee
Burning Tree Club
Bethesda, Maryland 20034

A large, stylized handwritten signature, likely of the sender, is written over the recipient's address.

RN:rmw:maf

EXECUTIVE

PR 14-12

July 20, 1970

Gentlemen:

It is my understanding that the Honorable James D. Hodgson has been recommended for membership in Burning Tree.

Secretary Hodgson's recent nomination to succeed the Honorable George Shultz as Secretary of Labor reflects the exceptionally high regard I have for Mr. Hodgson's personal as well as professional attributes. If his application is approved, I am confident that he will be a stalwart member and a strong asset to the Club.

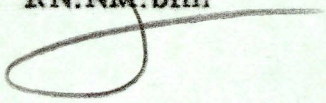
With best wishes,

Sincerely,

RICHARD NIXON

Membership Committee
Burning Tree Club
Burdette and River Roads
Bethesda, Maryland 20034

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GENERAL

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SECRETARY OF
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20350

April 1970

April 6, 1970

Dear John:

It was good seeing you and your wife Saturday evening here for the big occasion and being able to visit briefly with you.

I am enclosing a press release on Fred xRussell which gives you some background that may be helpful in your letter endorsing him for his candidacy for membership at the Burning Tree Club.

I am sure Fred will very much appreciate your interest and assistance.

With very warm regards.

Sincerely,

Dale Grubb
Special Assistant to
the President

Honorable John W. xWarner
The Under Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D.C. 20350

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 25, 1970

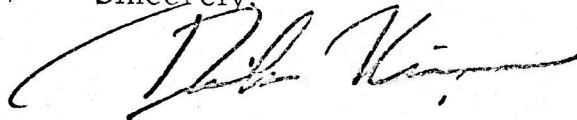
Dear Bob:

It has come to my attention that Fred J. Russell^X has been proposed for non-resident membership in Burning Tree Club.

Having known him as a friend, a member of my Administration, and a responsible member of the Los Angeles community, I am pleased to recommend that favorable consideration be given to his becoming a non-resident member of Burning Tree. If he does become a member, I know he will be a credit to the Club.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,



Mr. Robert M. Clark^X
Chairman, Membership Committee
X Burning Tree Club
Bethesda, Maryland 20034

*He's also very honest as
the first tee!*

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March 18, 1970

Dear Mr. Brand:

The President was very pleased to receive your kind invitation to be your guest for breakfast and golf on either the morning of Wednesday, April 29, or the morning of Thursday, April 30.

Due to the heavy demands of his official schedule, it is not possible for the President to accept your invitation. He wants you to know he is nonetheless grateful to you for thinking of him and that he sends you an expression of his warm good wishes.

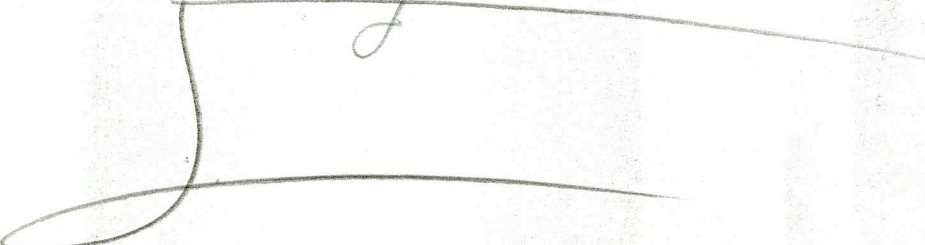
Sincerely,

Hugh W. Sloan, Jr.
Staff Assistant
to the President

Mr. Fred Brand, Jr.
1530 Gulf Building
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219

HWS:MR:rks

Burning Tree Club



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CHRISTMAS GREETING

1969

MEMBERS OF BURNING TREE CLUB

The Board of Governors invites the participation of each member in making a gift to the 1969 Christmas Fund for the benefit of the employees of the Club.

Your gift affords you the opportunity to express appreciation for the employees' services throughout the year.

Please indicate your contribution by either forwarding your check herewith or alternately, fill in and mail the form attached as a charge to your Club account. This Fund will be distributed to the employees in the House and Golf Course, all of whom have worked faithfully and well to add to the continued success of the Club.

We urge you to forward your contribution as early as possible in order that an equitable distribution may be made well in advance of Christmas. Use self-addressed envelope enclosed.

All good wishes for the Holiday Season and the New Year!

Richard J. Connor
Secretary

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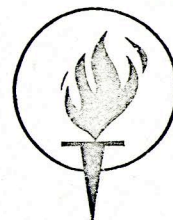
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Rollins
Avenue
Rockville
Maryland
20852
Area Code 301
427-7550

October 24, 1969



Miss Rosemary Wood
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Wood:

Pursuant to our conversation, I am enclosing the negative and the photographs of President Nixon.

I was very happy and honored to be able to sponsor this picture for the "rogues" gallery at Burning Tree Club. I feel sure the boss would enjoy sending these photographs to close personal friends.

I look forward to seeing you in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas D. Webb, Jr.
Thomas D. Webb, Jr.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: JOHN EHRLICHMAN

RE: HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

You questioned how the President has accepted honorary memberships in the Burning Tree Country Club and Variety International.

In the case of Burning Tree, you will note that my letter was sent to the Burning Tree Club on January 10th. I have no record or way of knowing whether I received your January 7th memorandum prior to the time my letter of the tenth was dictated. However, I imagine that the policy had not yet been established prior to my acceptance of the honorary membership for the President in the Burning Tree Club.

On every trip the President has made to Philadelphia, he has had his picture taken with members of Variety International. He has also possessed several gold life membership cards. When and where he accepted the card referred to in the attached memorandum dated February 3rd is unknown. "Barker," the Variety magazine says:

"Richard Milhous Nixon - Gold Card Lifetime Member of Variety Clubs International - Inaugurated as 37th President of the United States of America."

It is obvious that they charged off on their own and presented him with a gold membership card using a picture that had been taken perhaps five or six years ago. Thank you.

Dwight L. Chapin

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EXECUTIVE

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January 10, 1969

* x Mr. Hubert A. Schneider, President
* x Burning Tree Club
Bethesda, Maryland 20034

Dear Mr. Schneider:

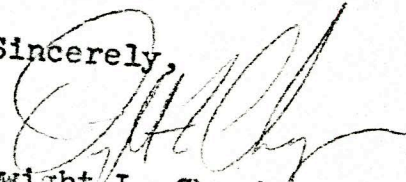
Thank you so much for your letter of November 8th with your kind remarks and good wishes. We sincerely appreciate your offer of an honorary membership to the President-Elect in the Burning Tree Club.

As you can well understand, Mr. Nixon's schedule for the first several months after his inauguration will be demanding. However, I am sure he will try to utilize his membership whenever possible.

If you wish to contact the Secret Service and have them check the location of the locker and other details, it would be fine with Mr. Nixon. I would suggest that you contact Mr. Robert Taylor of the Secret Service at the White House.

Mr. Nixon has asked me to convey to you his best wishes and warmest regards.

Sincerely,


Dwight L. Chapin
Special Assistant
to the
President-Elect

cc: Mr. Robert Taylor

Burning Tree Club

APRIL FOOLS PARTY

Wed. April 1, 1970

Golf: All Day

Reception: In the 19th hole 5:30 - 7:00 PM

Dinner: 7:00 PM Dining Room & Lounge

After Dinner: "Golf Clinic" - Max Elbin
(New rules; helpful hints; etc)

Special Film - "1969 World Series"
(Courtesy of Bowie Kuhn, Commissioner of
Baseball, and member of Burning Tree)

Cost: \$15.00 per person for everything.

Please Return Enclosed Card Promptly

David E. Betts
Chairman, Special Events Committee

EXECUTIVE

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October 6, 1969

Dear Ralph:

It was a pleasure to see you again at ^xBurning Tree,
and you may be sure the generous comments in
your letter of September 25 have special meaning
to me.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,

RN

^x
Mr. Ralph D. Pittman
1000 Federal Bar Building West
1819 H Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

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Burning Tree Country Club

September 19, 1969

Dear Mr. Cox:

I understand that you provided the handsome set of PGA golf clubs I received at Burning Tree from Max Elbin, and I want you to know how grateful I am for your thoughtfulness and your generosity. With perfect golfing weather in the offing nothing could be more welcome or appropriate than these superb clubs, and with their assistance my game is bound to improve!

With my best wishes,

Sincerely,

RICHARD NIXON

*
Mr. Mark Cox
President

X PGA Golf Equipment Company
3350 North Lehigh Avenue
Morton Grove, Illinois 60053

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September 18, 1969

Dear Mr. Schneider:

The President has asked me to reply to your kind letter to him of September 11 in reference to the Fall Party at Burning Tree which will honor Secretary of State Rogers on October 11.

The President was certainly grateful to you for inviting him to join you for the day of golf, the cocktail party, and the dinner, and is sincerely sorry that we are unable to send a favorable response. His schedule for that day is such that it just will not be possible for him to be with you, as much as he would like to take advantage of your gracious offer. He has asked me to convey his sincere thanks to you and his very best wishes.

Sincerely,

Hugh W. Sloan, Jr.
Staff Assistant
to the President

Mr. Hubert A. Schneider
President
Burning Tree Club
Bethesda, Maryland 20034

HWS:bf



Burning Tree Club

BETHESDA, MD. 20034

HUBERT A. SCHNEIDER, President
VERNON A. JOHNSON, Vice President
RICHARD J. CONNOR, Secretary-Treasurer

BURNING TREE CLUB

To All Members:

A library dedicated to literature on golf is being established in the small room adjoining the main lounge. This library has been made possible through an initial contribution by Mr. Charles G. Cooper of his extensive collection of books on the subject of golf. To these have been added a few books which once belonged to the late Mr. Walter Tuckerman, one of the Founders and Past Presidents of Burning Tree.

It is hoped that other members will contribute to this library some of the books on golf which they have acquired over the years.

In order that all books in the library can be properly cataloged, it is requested that any books being contributed be routed through the Front Office.

In recognition of his imagination in conceiving of this project and of his thoughtfulness and generosity in launching it, Mr. Cooper has been designated as Club Librarian.

Hubert A. Schneider
President

BURNING TREE CLUB

1969

FIFTH Annual Father-Son (Son-In-Law) (Grandson) Tournament

Sunday, September 7th

SIT DOWN LUNCHEON 12:00 Noon - 12:45 PM (First Tee weather permitting).

TEE OFF: 1:00 PM Shotgun start if necessary.

Fathers will use their established handicaps; Sons (etc.) will have handicaps computed for them on the basis of the day's game by the Callaway System.

PRIZES AWARDED by TEAM: Low Net & Low Gross by Age Groups
(15-Under; 16-21; 22-Over).

Awards will be made in the 19th Hole

ENTRY: Please advise the Club Office regarding your entry not later than Wednesday, September 3rd.

FEE: \$12.00 per Team

Take this opportunity to team up once again with your Son (etc.) before the season comes to a close.

Pliny Holt
Chairman, Golf Committee

BURNING TREE CLUB

1969

Fall

Member-Member Tournament

Saturday-Sunday, September 13, 14, 1969

Select your partner now for this Third Fall Golf Tournament. All entries must be in by Monday, September 8th. No Team may have a combined handicap of less than 10 or more than 40.

TYPE OF PLAY: Two Day, Best Ball Ringer (36 Holes) Full Handicap.

ENTRY FEE: \$20.00 per Member. Return the enclosed entry card.

Arrange your own foursome and desired starting times for Saturday and Sunday (advise Pro Shop regarding same). Should you desire to participate and do not have a partner the Committee will assist you in getting one.

On Friday evening, September 12th, Cocktails will be served in the 19th Hole starting at 5:30 PM followed by a Sit Down Dinner at 7:00 PM. Please advise the Club Office if you do or do not intend to participate Friday evening.

Prior to dinner, and shortly thereafter, you will have sufficient time to appraise and evaluate the comparative prowess of the respective teams. Tickets may be secured on Any, or All, participating teams not only by team members but by anyone else so financially inclined.

Handicaps of resident Members are in the books. A Non-Resident contestant must use his home club handicap, or his Burning Tree handicap, whichever is the lower. All home club handicaps must be attested by the home club Professional.

Get your partner lined up as soon as possible and let us have your entry card (enclosed) as soon as you can.

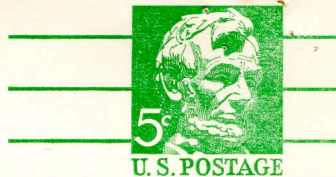
Pliny Holt
Chairman, Golf Committee

BURNING TREE CLUB

QUALIFYING FOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP 36-HOLES

You may qualify now through September 7th. Notify Pro Shop before starting qualifying rounds. Further particulars to be posted later at Club and Golf Shop Bulletin Boards regarding flights, time limits, etc.

Golf Committee



Burning Tree Club
Bethesda
Maryland 20034

BURNING TREE CLUB

Fall

Member-Member Tournament

Saturday-Sunday, September 13, 14, 1969

I will _____ will not _____ play in tournament.

(My Partner will be _____.)

I will _____ will not _____ attend Friday evening, Sept. 12th.

Member's Name _____

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BURNING TREE CLUB
Burdette & River Roads
Bethesda, Maryland 20034

July 25, 1969

Dear Mr. Elbin:

I have been asked to respond to your very kind letter to the President and also to apologize for this delay in answering your letter. The work load has been very heavy, especially due to the President's trip to the Far East.

The President is most appreciative of your thoughtfulness in having a set of golf clubs with the Presidential Seal made up for him by the P. G. A. Golf Equipment Company. At this point, however, he will not have a chance to accept them since he will be in California after his trip abroad. I would like to suggest that you write him again this Fall and perhaps something can be worked out then.

The President asked me to convey his sincere thanks and very best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

Hugh W. Sloan, Jr.
Staff Assistant
to the President

*
Mr. Max Elbin
Burning Tree Club
Bethesda, Maryland 20034

HWS:bf



July 22, 1969

Gentlemen:

It has come to my attention that Charles "Bud" Wilkinson has been recommended for membership in Burning Tree.

Bud has made his fame in football, but I am sure he would take as much pride in his golf scores at Burning Tree. His outstanding reputation in sports and in business should make him a fine addition to the ranks, and if his application is approved, I know he will bring credit to the club.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

RICHARD NIXON

Board of Governors
Burning Tree Club
Bethesda, Maryland

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BURNING TREE CLUB
MEMBER - GUEST TOURNAMENT

- 1969 -

The Tournament will be held this year on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 20, 21, 22. U.S.G.A. rules will govern play.

The first round, on Friday, will be team "Best Ball", each player being allowed his Full Handicap.

On Saturday, play will be a variation of the Chapman or Pinehurst System. Each player will drive on each hole. Each player will then hit his partner's ball for the second shot. After that they choose which ball to play. The selection as to which ball to play will be made after the tee shot on the par three holes. The score for this round will be the team gross less one-half of the combined handicap, Half Strokes Allowed.

The final round on Sunday will be played the same as Friday, Team "Best Ball".

Maximum allowable handicap for a guest is 18.

There will be no minimum team handicap, but there will be a maximum total team handicap of 40. This means all members of Burning Tree regardless of their handicap, of course, may play; but if your handicap is 22 you would have to play with a partner who had a handicap of 18 or less.

Burning Tree handicaps for Resident and Non-Resident Members will be used, except where non-resident members do not have a current established handicap at Burning Tree. If a non-resident member uses the handicap from his home club, he will be required to submit authentication of that handicap. Handicaps of guests must be authenticated by their Club Pro. THIS WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED. Please note this because it would be awfully embarrassing for anyone to have a guest here and not permitted to play because you have neglected getting his handicap authenticated.

There will be a limitation of a 120 teams in the tournament. THIS WILL BE ENFORCED THIS YEARNO FOOLIN!!

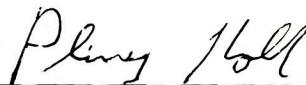
Assuming that there will be in the neighborhood of a 120 teams playing, shotgun starts will be necessary. Starting times will be 8:30 AM and 1:30 PM. Please indicate on the enclosed card whether you want to start playing in the morning or afternoon. As nearly as practicable, the committee will follow your wishes. YOU MUST BE ON TIME.

A Buffet Dinner will be served at the Club Friday evening, June 20th, from 6:30 to 8:00 PM, during which time there may be speculation as to the probable winners of the tournament.

The Entrance Fee is \$50.00 per team.

Fill in both the enclosed cards and return immediately, or you may be frozen out by the team limitation... ENTRIES CLOSE TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 1969.

Any further questions, call or write your Golf Committee Chairman.



Pliny Holt
Chairman, Golf Committee
8813 Stonehaven Court
Potomac, Maryland 20854
Phone: AC 301 299-6330

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APPOINTMENT OFFICE

BURNING TREE CLUB

Member-Guest Tournament, June 20-21-22, 1969

This Card For Members Only

My Name is _____

My Handicap is (For Non-Residents Only) _____

My Guest's Name is _____

We Prefer to Play	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
8:30 AM	_____	_____	_____
1:30 PM	_____	_____	_____
No Pref.	_____	_____	_____

The Committee will try to grant all starting time requests.

Please phone the Pro Shop (365-2588) for starting times.

NOTE: Closing date for entries Tuesday, June 17th.



Burning Tree Club
Burdette & River Roads
Bethesda, Maryland 20034

BURNING TREE CLUB

Member-Guest Tournament

June 20, 21, 22, 1969

Guest Handicap Card (To be filled in by Guest's Home
Club Professional.)

The handicap of _____
is _____.

Attest _____ of
(Golf Professional's signature)

_____ Golf Club

Above named player is a guest of _____
B. T. C. Member's Name

Before presenting or mailing this card to your Guest make
sure you fill in your name above.

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Burning Tree Club
Burdette & River Roads
Bethesda, Maryland 20034

GENERAL

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May 14, 1969

Dear Mr. Schneider:

The President has asked me to thank you for your letter to him about Burning Tree's Annual Spring Party this coming Saturday evening when special tribute will be paid to Secretary Laird, but to tell you commitments he already has made for the weekend preclude his dropping by.

With the President's very best wishes to you,

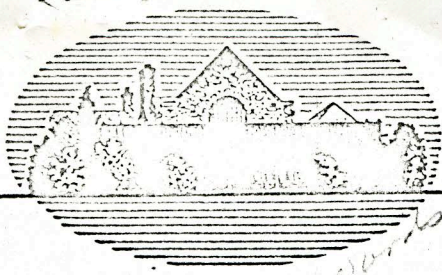
Sincerely,

Dwight L. Chapin
Special Assistant
to the President

Mr. Hubert A. Schneider
President
Burning Tree Club
Bethesda, Maryland 20034

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Burning Tree Club

BETHESDA, MD. 20034

HUBERT A. SCHNEIDER, President
VERNON A. JOHNSON, Vice President
RICHARD J. CONNOR, Secretary-Treasurer

April 30, 1969

The President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

You have probably noted the display in the living room at Burning Tree of the golf clubs used by Presidents of the United States going back as far as Presidents Taft and Wilson and including Presidents Harding, Roosevelt, Eisenhower, Kennedy and Johnson.

We are very proud of this collection of clubs, particularly since several of them belonged to members of Burning Tree.

We would be greatly pleased if we could add to this collection a club used by you. Any wooden club would be satisfactory.

I hope you will look upon this request with favor and that the club can be mounted on the wall prior to the Spring Party of our members on May 17, 1969.

Kindest personal regards,

Hubert A. Schneider
Hubert A. Schneider

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April 5, 1969

Dear Mr. Brand:

In the President's behalf I am pleased to respond to your kind letter of March 18th in which you extend the gracious invitation to the President to meet with you at Burning Tree at the end of April.

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The President is very appreciative of your thoughtfulness toward him and is sorry that my reply to you is not more encouraging. He has asked me to explain that because of pending matters and his hectic schedule for April he will not be able to honor your invitation with an acceptance. The President is, nevertheless, grateful for the cordial invitation and extends his hopes for the success of your respite at Burning Tree.

With the President's thanks and an expression of his warm good wishes to you,

Sincerely,

Dwight L. Chapin
Special Assistant
to the President

Mr. Fred Brand, Jr.
1530 Gulf Building
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219

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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON

EXECUTIVE (8)

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March 26, 1969

Dear Miss Woods:

Secretary Laird has asked me to contact you regarding some autographed pictures of the President for some of his Burning Tree friends. The pictures would be for Max Elbin who is the Pro and Don Saylor who is the assistant Pro. I believe the President knows these two gentlemen.

He has also requested an autographed picture for Robert Hosford but I am not sure whether or not the President knows him or not. I believe he is also from the ^XBurning Tree Club.

The Secretary will appreciate whatever you can do on this and, of course, I will too!

Sincerely,

Laurie Hawley
X
Laurie Hawley (Mrs.)
Secretary

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Three photos. signed to the following

To Don Saylor With best wishes, Richard Nixon,
To Robert Hosford With best wishes, Richard Nixon
To Max Elbin With best wishes, Richard Nixon
X all dated April 26, 1969

EXECUTIVE
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February 1, 1969

Dear Max:

Professional Golfers Association

I understand that you have recently retired as President of the P. G. A. and just wanted to send along my very best wishes to you. More than the plaudits of friends, I know your greatest satisfaction must come from knowing that you have served well. The high standards and example you have set will be an inspiration to others who follow.

Needless to say, I hope it won't be too long before I have a chance to see you on the first tee at Burning Tree. Until then, my congratulations on the fine work you have done and all good wishes for many more years of good golf in your future.

Sincerely,

RICHARD NIXON

*
Mr. Max Elbin
Burning Tree Country Club
Burdet and River Roads
Bethesda, Maryland

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