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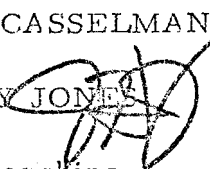
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

May 12, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: PHIL BUCHEN  
BILL CASSELMAN

FROM: JERRY JONES 

SUBJECT: Memberships

The President has reviewed your memorandum of May 7th on the above subject and approves all of your recommendations:

1. 1975 Opera Ball
2. National Society of Scabbard and Blade.
3. Washington Urban League.
4. American Seniors Gold Association.

cc: Don Rumsfeld

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 7, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: Phil Buchen *T.W.B.*  
FROM: Bill Casselman *BC*  
SUBJECT: Memberships

The following memberships are referred for your consideration:

1. 1975 Opera Ball (Tab A). You and Mrs. Ford have been invited to serve as honorary patrons of the 1975 Ball, which will benefit the Opera Society of Washington. There is a Presidential precedent for acceptance, and we recommend acceptance.

Approve *MC* Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_

2. National Society of Scabbard and Blade (Tab B). This organization, comprised of ROTC cadets, has invited you to become an honorary member. Acceptance would enable you to reaffirm your support for a strong national defense and for the values of an all volunteer military force. Your participation might also help foster improved ROTC enrollments. Recommend acceptance.

Approve *MC* Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_

3. Washington Urban League (Tab C). You have been asked to serve as honorary co-chairman for the 4th Annual Whitney Young, Jr. Memorial Dinner. San Scott recommends acceptance.

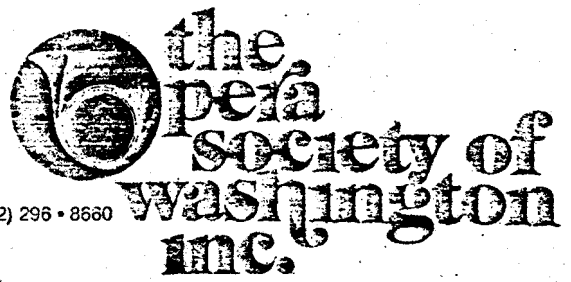
Approve *MC* Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_

4. American Seniors Golf Association (Tab D). The Association has elected you to honorary membership. President Eisenhower was also a member of this organization. Recommend acceptance.

Approve WJ4 Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosures





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March 25, 1975

IAN STRASFOGEL  
Director

DAVID M. BABER  
Managing Director

My Dear Mrs. Ford:

As Chairman of the 1975 Opera Ball, I am writing to ask you and the President once again to be honorary patrons. The Opera Ball has had the privilege and honor of having the President and First Lady as patrons for many successive years. Last year you wrote a most inspiring and thoughtful message. We do hope we can look forward to your help for the Ball this year.

As you probably know, ticket sales account for a very small part of the financial support the Opera productions require. For the most part the Society depends upon grants from private foundations and individual contributors.

The Opera Ball is a very important source of funds for the Society. This year we are specially fortunate that His Excellency the Ambassador of Spain and Mrs. Jaime Alba have agreed to have the Opera Ball at their beautiful embassy.

The Ball will be held on June 6th, but we must, of course, plan our programme well in advance. We will be delighted to send you any further information that you might like to have. I am enclosing a past programme for your reference.

We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

*Sicille Theberge*

Mrs. James D. Theberge  
3027 Foxhall Road, N.W.

Mrs. Gerald Ford  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.  
Attention: Mrs. Nancy Howe

TAB B

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The National Society



Scabbard and Blade

FOUNDED 1904-1905, INCORPORATED 1955  
NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

22 April 1975

RE  
The President  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the National Officers of the membership of the National Society of Scabbard and Blade, we wish to thank you for your generous gesture of sending us your picture and wishing the National Society of Scabbard and Blade good luck. This letter is also to let you know that we are concerned about the National defense of our nation and the support of the armed services in this endeavor. Our organization as you know is composed primarily of advanced course ROTC cadets of all three services, Army, Navy, and Air Force. We take pride in maintaining this three-service concept in our organization.

In recognition of your leadership and your active concern for the defense of our country, we wish to extend to you the honor of becoming an honorary member in the National Society of Scabbard and Blade. This will not only add great prestige to our Society, but will give the youth of the nation who are in our membership an indication that you support the ROTC program and the activities which Scabbard and Blade promotes.

Again, thank you for your fine gesture. We will look forward to hearing from you on our proposal to you for honorary membership. Your picture and message will appear on the front of our magazine, the Scabbard and Blade JOURNAL.

Respectfully yours,

Edwin E. Glover  
National Executive Officer

EEG:pvc



TAB C



# Washington Urban League, Inc.

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Telephone: (202) 265-8200

*Invitation to Planning Committee (Pres)*  
*6/11/75*

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SPEAKER APR 18, 1975

OTHER *Robert E. Hunt*

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The President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The Washington Urban League will hold its Fourth Annual Whitney M. Young, Jr. Memorial Dinner on June 11, 1975. This occasion is held in perpetual memory of the late distinguished leader of the National Urban League.

During the past 3 years, our principal speakers have been the late Chief Justice Earl Warren and the Honorable William Tolbert, President of Liberia and we have presented Whitney M. Young, Jr. Awards to several national, local and community leaders for their contributions to the betterment of all Americans.

This letter is written on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Washington Urban League and its Planning Committee to invite you and Vice-President Nelson Aldrich Rockefeller, to serve as honorary co-chairmen of the Fourth Annual Dinner. The Washington Urban League recently appointed Mr. John E. Jacob, a former Acting Executive Director of the Washington Urban League, as its Executive Director. We are especially enthusiastic that he will bring dynamic leadership to the League and to the Washington community. We, therefore, respectfully seek your support of our major fundraising activity.

We have contacted the Honorable William T. Coleman, Jr., Secretary of Transportation with our invitation to deliver the keynote address. We will also honor the past Executive Director of the Washington Urban League, Mr. Sterling Tucker.

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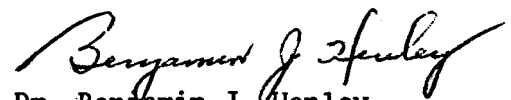
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The President  
Letter  
April 18, 1975  
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Mr. Vernon Jordan, Executive Director of the National Urban League and Mrs. Whitney M. Young, Jr. will participate in this occasion, when we expect representatives from a cross-section of the local, national and international communities which comprise the population of the nation's capital city.

We will, indeed, be honored if you will accept our invitation.

Sincerely,

  
Dr. Benjamin J. Henley  
President

  
(Mrs.) Valerie F. Pinson  
Chairman of the Committee

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TAB D

JAMES B. BURR

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575 Frey Building  
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49502

April 16, 1975

Gerald R. Ford, President  
United States of America  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I am pleased indeed to tell you that the Board of Directors of the American Seniors Golf Association, by unanimous vote, have elected you to honorary membership in our Association. You are the first President since General Eisenhower to be a member. Congratulations!

I am writing to you not only to give you this information but also to ask how you would like the presentation of your membership card handled. This, of course, will be given no publicity unless you think you want some. We could either mail the card to you or arrange to have a presentation made to you in the fall of this year at a date convenient to you.

In talking with your brother, Dick, he thought it would be advisable that a copy of this letter be sent to Mr. Warren Rustand, your Appointments Secretary, in case you thought something should be arranged for a presentation by a committee of the American Seniors Golf Association.

I want to tell you how delighted I am that you are a member of the American Seniors and hope that one day you will be able to take part in the golfing and social activities with our fine group of men.

With my very best wishes, as always,

Sincerely yours,

