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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

June 16, 1983

NOTE FOR CHARLIE PONTICELLI FROM: KEN DUBERSTEI

Congressman Trent Lott personally handed me copies of the two attached letters sent by his staff. He is concerned that they have not received a response from us.

Please check into this and follow-up with a reply as quickly as possible.

Thanks.

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

TO: Vat

FROM: KATHY RATTÉ JAFFKE

Office of Legislative Affairs

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3525 Davenport Street, N.W. Apartment 405 Washington, D.C. 20008 June 3, 1983

Mr. Michael Deaver Assistant to the President The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20500

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Thank you for your sincere attention to our request.

Very truly yours,

Joseph F. Grimes President Capitol Hill Wine Tasting Society

Enclosures

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3525 Davenport Street, N.W. Apartment 405 Washington, D.C. 20008 May 10, 1983

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Assistant to the President
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The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

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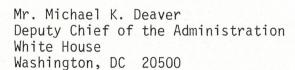
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MICHAEL R. FIELDING

400 RENAISSANCE CENTER
DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48243

June 22, 1982



Dear Mr. Deaver:

I have enclosed a letter to Bill Fitzpatrick which I hope you will find an appropriate request. Anything that you can do to make this possible would be appreciated by all of us connected with the First Detroit International Wine Auction. I hope you will agree that Robert Mondavi would be a worthwhile recipient of President Reagan's wonderful photograph as it appears on the cover of the May-June issue of The Friends of Wine.

If I can provide you with any additional information, please don't hesitate to let me know.

I have taken the liberty to enclose a brief brochure describing the School and an information card concerning the Auction.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Fielding

MRF:cc

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June 22, 1982

Mr. William Fitzpatrick White House Photographer White House Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. Fitzpatrick:

I recently received the May-June issue of The Friends of Wine. The cover features a photograph of President Reagan taken by you. Would it be possible to obtain two copies of this photograph in a size suitable for framing? I would be happy to pay the appropriate charges. I would like to present one of these to Mr. Robert Mondavi, who will be the Honorary Chairman of the First Detroit International Wine Auction for the benefit of the very worth-while Detroit Community Music School. Mr. Mondavi, who is the senior spokesman for the California wine industry, is taking time from a very busy schedule to assist us in this charitable cause. I know that it would be treasured by Mr. Mondavi, especially if I could be successful in obtaining President Reagan's notation and signature on the photograph. The fund-raising auction and evening of fine wine and cuisine will take place on October 9, 1982 at the Fairlane Club in Dearborn. If at all possible, I would like to present this photograph to Mr. Mondavi at that time. I would love to have the second copy for myself.

Should you need any further information, please call me collect at my office at Ford World Headquarters, (313) 322-2740.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Fielding

MRF:cc

cc: Mr. Fred F. Fielding, Counsel to the President

Mr. Michael K. Deaver, Deputy Chief of the Administration



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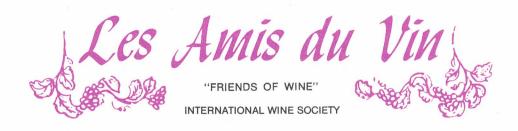
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MICHAEL K. DEAVER Assistant to the President Deputy Chief of Staff

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May 27, 1982

Deputy Chief of Staff Mr. Michael Deaver The White House

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue

Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Deaver,

RF:sr

How nice to hear that the President and you liked our cover and magazine story on the White House wine cellar.

Enclosed are a few copies, but I would be happy to send you as many copies as you would like. And do call on me if I can be of any help whatsoever in my field of wine and food.

Incidentally I do have another bottle of wine for the President - 1962 LaTache, which I know is his favorite.

Best regards,

RON FONTE

President, Les Amis du Vin Editor, The Friends of Wine Magazine



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Dear Mr. Deaver,

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RF:sr

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June 22, 1982

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RON FONTE

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

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May 11, 1983

FOR:

MICHAEL DEAVER

FROM:

SHEILA TATE

VIA:

JAMES ROSEBUSE

SUBJECT: Information on White House Wines

Attached is a letter from Barbara Hand of The Hartford Courant requesting information about wines used at the White House.

If you could provide me with answers to her questions, I will pass them on to Barbara and also keep for future reference.

The Hartford Courant which we can use washington bureau

May 6, 1983

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May 6, 1983

Ms. Sheila Tate First Ladies Press Office The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. Tate:

I called your office recently about my interest in writing an article about wines at the White House for the new wine and beverage page of the Courant. I was asked to summit questions, and I would appreciate your answers to the following:

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- 5. If a state guest does not drink alcoholic beverages, is wine still served to other guests? What might you substitute for guests not drinking wine?
 - A: Yes grape juice or other fruit juices water
- 6. Do the President and Mrs. Reagan have a favorite wine? If you can't provide me with a specific name, could you tell me the type of wine (burgundy, California, white, red, etc.)
 - A: They have many favorites, including BV Private Reserve 1970 and Cabernet
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 16, 1983

Dear Ms. Johnson:

Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to your kind invitation for me to the Honorary Chairman of the 3rd Annual Sonoma County Wine Auction.

It would give me great pleasure to be your Honorary Chairman, however, because of previous commitments I will be unable to be in attendance. Under such circumstances, I would certainly understand if your members would prefer to chose someone who could be present.

Please give my warmest regards to your members.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER Assistant to the President Deputy Chief of Staff

Ms. Linda R. Johnson
Waterfall Towers
Suite 310B
2455 Bennett Valley Road
Santa Rosa, California 95404

Waterfall Towers Suite 310B 2455 Bennett Valley Road Santa Rosa, CA where there march 14.7 March 14, 1983 Mr. Michael Deaver Special Assistant to the President

White House Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Deaver:

On behalf of the Sonoma County Wine Growers thank you for your presence at the White House wine presentation last Wednesday. The vintners especially appreciate your enthusiasm. Your knowledge and support of Sonoma County wines is very gratifying.

In recognition of your knowledge and your support, we would like for you to be our Honorary Chairman of the 3rd Annual Sonoma County Wine Auction for the benefit of the Sonoma County Wine Library. The auction will be held August 6 and 7 at the historic Buena Vista Winery in Sonoma, and would be an enjoyable weekend for a wine connoisseur like you.

Special bottlings, limited releases, premium Sonoma County wines, and award-winning vintages no long available will be offered at the auction. As a prelude to the auction, vintners open their wineries to those attending the auction. A weekend of private tours, tastings and picnics will include an evening gala at the Robert Young Vineyards with a gourmet dinner, entertainment and a special barrel tasting of Cabernets Sauvignon from Sonoma County's four viticulture regions.

You and your guests are invited to be our guests for a relaxing and informative weekend in the birthplace of California's wine industry. Your presence will add immeasurably to the importance and prestige of this fund raising event. It will be our pleasure to be your host and make all the arrangements necessary to have you with us as Honorary Chairman. We look forward to an early acceptance, and to the pleasure of your company for an enjoyable weekend in lovely Sonoma County for good food, fine wines and gracious hospitality.

Cordially Linda R. Johnson

Executive Director

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 14, 1981

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Jordan:

Thank you kindly for the Chardonnay. It was delicious. We served it at the luncheon for Prime Minister Trudeau. It was a huge success. I certainly appreciate your thoughtfulness, and would like to be able to purchase some for future use.

Please give my best to Denise Hale.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER Assistant to the President Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jordan Jordan Winery PO Box 878 Healdsburg, CA 95448 THE WHITE HOUSE

July 17, 1981

Dear Mrs. Jordan:

Thank you for your nice note and your kind offer to share some of your first chardonnay as a birthday present to me.

As you know, we have used your wine at State dinners and have enjoyed it very much.

I did want you to know that nothing eatable can be sent to me through the mail. Therefore, you would have to address the package to either Michael Deaver or Elaine Crispen. This is a long-standing rule of the Secret Service, which I am sure you can understand.

Thank you again for your kind words and the birthday present.

Sincerely,

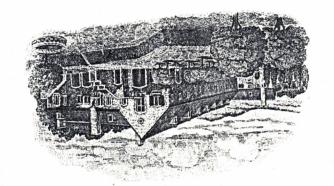
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Mrs. Sally Jordan Post Office Box 878
Healdsburg, California 95448

Vcc: with incoming to Mike Deaver

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hovember of this year. Unfortunately,
we have only one thousand cases,
total production, of this our first



chardonnay effort, but we are eager to introduce to iper, our "new crild," and hope it will bring you pleasure.

Our warmest good wishes for a most happy birthday celebration are coupled with our profound gratitude for the grace and elegance you have brought to the leadership of our country.

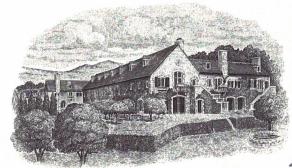
most respectfully, Sally Jordan



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> Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jordan Jordan Winery PO Box 878 Healdsburg, CA 95448

Jordan



March 31, 83

Hear Michael: I was, of course, pleased that Jurdan" Was selected for the Queen's dinner. I detect your Jine Italian hand (galate) in the matter. He hope you can get away a few days for holiday in the Wine country this rummer. Why not loring the children and stay a few days in the lake house very private - boating Justing and always close to good umet food. He would

Love to trave your

Jordan Vineyard & Winery. 1474 Alexander Valley Road. P.O. Box 878. Healdsburg. Alexander Valley. California 95448 · (707) 433-6955

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Sincerely

Tom Jordan

Julie Ann Kodmur

FREDERICK WILDMAN & SONS Importers and Wine Merchants 21 East 69" STREET, NEW YORK

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Mr Micheal DEAVER Deputy Chief of the Staff THE WHITE HOUSE Washington DC 20500 U.S.A.

Epernay, September 30th 1982

Dear Mr Deaver,

We have followed with great interest accounts of your love of wine, as principally interpreted by my colleagues in California.

We were also proud to note that President Reagan had enjoyed our Champagne with Queen Elizabeth earlier this year.

I will be visiting the U.S.A. in early November, on the occasion of the release of our 1976 Vintage. At that time, I would be honoured to make a presentation to you and the White House Cellar. I understand that you have been in touch with Julie Ann Kodmur of Frederick Wildman & Sons in New York. Please contact her about fixing a time for our meeting.

Looking forward to visiting you,

I remain, Dear Mr Deaver,

Faithfully yours,

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Christian POL-ROGER Directeur Général

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Do d says you should exchange this French wine with Frederick Wildman and Sons, Ltd. with California wine, which he will see we have before these people arrive.

This wine was the favorite of Winston Churchill.

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MICHAEL K DEAVER
DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF ATTN SHIRLEY MOORE
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BECAUSE WE AT FREDERICK WILDMAN AND SONS KNOW YOU ARE AN INTERESTED AND KNOWLEDGEABLE WINE LOVER, WE ARE DIRECTING THIS REQUEST TO YOU.

M, CHRISTIAN POL ROGER, PRESIDENT OF THE "SMALL GRANDE MARQUE" CHAMPAGNE PRODUCERS OF THE SAME NAME, WILL BE IN THE UNITED STATES IN EARLY NOVEMBER. M, POL ROGER WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT YOU WITH A SPECIAL BOTTLE FROM HIS HOLDINGS IN EPERNAY, AND AS WELL, MAKE A PRESENTATION TO THE WHITE HOUSE SELLER TO ADD TO THE POL ROGER CHAMPAGNES ALREADY PRESENT.

COULD WE SCHEDULE THIS FOR THE LATTER PART OF THE FIRST WEEK OF NOVERMBER? M. POL ROGER WOULD BE FLYING DOWN FROM NEW YORK.

I LOOK FORWARD TO DISCUSSING THIS EARLY NEXT WEEK
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 28, 1982

Dear Mr. Lawrence:

Thank you for sending the 3 bottles of varietal wines to Mr. Deaver. He appreciates your interest in having your wines served in the White House and will be tasting them soon.

We did not, however, receive the enclosures you spoke about. Would you be kind enough to send them along again.

Sincerely,

SHIRLEY MOORE Staff Assistant to Michael K. Deaver

Mr. James S. Lawrence Lawrence Winery Post Office Box 1151 San Luis Obispo, CA 93406



LAWRENCE WINERY

September 22, 1982

Mr. Michael Deaver Assistant to the President & Deputy Chief of Staff White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Deaver:

We have forwarded to your attention three varietal wines that we produce here at our winery which we would appreciate your considering for usage at the White House.

The three wines are our 1981 Chardonnay Vineyard Selection, our 1981 Gewurztraminer Rose Vineyard Selection, and our 1981 Merlot Vineyard Selection. We are, of course, very proud of these wines and feel that they are of a quality level that is most appropriate for White House usage.

The Chardonnay Vineyard Selection 1981 has never been entered in a major tasting, but we feel the wine is developing rapidly into an outstanding Chardonnay, suitable for a dry aperitif wine before dinner or an excellent choice to offer with salad or a light entree such as sauteed fillet of sole.

Our 1981 Gewurztraminer Rose has won numerous awards including a gold medal at the Los Angeles County Fair. I find it, personally, most suitable for an afternoon sipping wine or as an excellent after-dinner wine to accompany an assortment of fresh fruits. On many occasions, my wife and I have used it in a dessert offering of strawberries, sliced and marinated in Gewurztraminer Rose, served themselves in a champagne glass or serving the marinated strawberries over ice cream.

Our 1981 Merlot Vineyard Selection is, in our opinion, a tremendous wine. It is not often that you find a red wine that wins the highest award at every contest in which it is entered. Our 1981 Merlot has accomplished this unusual feat and we are sure that you will find this wine extremely pleasing and an excellent accompaniment to a wide assortment of entrees.

I have enclosed some articles that have appeared on our winery since our founding in 1979, along with a brochure on the winery and a copy of our latest newsletter. Should you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me. Mr. John Rogers and/or Mrs. Margaret Tutwiler of the White House staff, whom we were fortunate to have visit our winery, might also be of assistance in regards to information concerning our winery.



I wish to thank you for your time and all of us wish you and the entire administration the best.

Sincerely,

James S. Lawrence

Winemaker

JSL/mc

Enclosure

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 22, 1982

Dear Mr. MacLean:

Thanks so much for the complimentary copy of MACLEAN'S WINE PRESS. I enjoyed it and look forward to receiving it on a regular basis.

I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER Assistant to the President Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Douglas S. MacLean Director of Marketing MacLeans's Wine Press 900 N. Lake Shore Drive Suite 1809 Chicago, Illinois 60611

MacLEAN'S WINE PRESS

THANK

IAN C. MacLEAN Editor and Publisher

Michael Deaver
Deputy Chief of the Administration
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

November, 17 1982

Dear Mr. Deaver,

I thought you would enjoy having the current issue of MACLEAN'S WINE PRESS. This issue reflects the editorial policies of Dr. Ian MacLean, namely a broad range of writing styles and a multifacited approach to the enjoyment of wine. We are putting you on our complimentary subscription list and hope you will find the newsletter both useful and entertaining.

As President Reagan has a great interest in wine himself, perhaps he would enjoy glancing at the newsletter when he has a minute to catch his breath.

Best wishes to you for the upcoming holiday season!

Cheers!,

Douglas S. MacLean
Director of Marketing

MITCHELL-MANNING ASSOCIATES

SUITE 302 • 1010 THIRD AVENUE • NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10021 • 759-7570

November 4, 1982

Mr. Michael Deaver The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Deaver:

I am writing to you at the suggestion of Jody Jacobs of the $\underline{\text{Los Angeles}}$ $\underline{\text{Times}}$, to tell you about the new Piper-Sonoma, a sparkling white wine that has just been produced in Sonoma.

We represent Renfield Importers and Piper-Heidsieck. We have served the wine at several parties in September, at the homes of Mrs. Jerry Wald, Miss Loretta Young, and Mr. and Mrs. Jean Louis. The wine was well received. Everyone in California suggested that President and Mrs. Reagan would like to know about Piper-Sonoma and perhaps serve it at the White House.

Piper-Sonoma is a joint venture of the Marquis François d'Aulan, who owns Piper-Heidsieck and the Renfield Importers. The same process in wine making that is done on Piper-Heidsieck in France, is duplicated in California, but using grapes grown in California.

At your convenience, if this could be mentioned to your Wine Steward, we would greatly appreciate it and see that Piper-Sonoma is sent to the White House.

Sincerely,

James H. Mitchell

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