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Collection Overview

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Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of files on dinners and social events during the tenure of Secretary S. Dillon Ripley. Materials also include personal and professional correspondence with friends and colleagues.

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Names:

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Lindbergh, Charles A. (Charles Augustus), 1902-1974
McNamara, Robert S., 1916-2009
Ripley, S. Dillon (Sidney Dillon), 1913-2001
Smithsonian Institution -- Administration

Container Listing

Box 1

The Ripley's Dinners

- Box 1 of 2 November 1 - Informal Dinner, Barney Studio House
- Box 1 of 2 December 1964 - Dinner at residence of Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Hoffman
- Box 1 of 2 April 6 - Dinner Before "Born Free"
- Box 1 of 2 List of Dinner Hostesses to Whom you Wish to Write Personal Notes
- Box 1 of 2 June 8, 1964 - Dinner
- Box 1 of 2 December 14, 1964 - Dinner
- Box 1 of 2 Christmas Party - Mr. and Mrs. Ripley's Personal
- Box 1 of 2 January 26, 1965 - F Street Club Dinner
- Box 1 of 2 March 8, 1965 - Dinner (informal) Barney Studio House
- Box 1 of 2 April 19, 1965 - Dinner F Street Club
- Box 1 of 2 May 5, 1965 - Museum of History and Technology (MHT) Dinner
- Box 1 of 2 July 22, 1965 - Cocktails & Dinner, MHT Presidential Reception Room
Preceding Concert (informal)
- Box 1 of 2 December 16, 1965 - Opening of Jade Hall Dinner
- Box 1 of 2 January 13, 1966 - Congressional Informal Dinner - Cocktails in Mineral Hall,
Dinner in Gem Hall & Dr. Stewart to Talk
- Box 1 of 2 March 25, 1966 - Mrs. Livingston's World Wildlife Dinner
- Box 1 of 2 Hirshhorn Luncheon - May 17, 1966
- Box 1 of 2 May 23, 1966 - Dinner MHT Reception

Box 1 of 2 Ripley's May 1966 Cocktail Party

Box 1 of 2 October 24 - Lady Meade Fetherstonhaugh Luncheon F Street Club

Box 1 of 2 November 15, 1966 - Vinland Luncheon, MHT Reception Suite Preceding
Map Seminar

Box 1 of 2 November 15, 1966 - Mr. & Mrs. Ripley's Dinner

Box 1 of 2 Luncheon for Mrs. George H. Warren and Mrs. Firestone to see our ceramic
halls, December 7, 1966

Box 1 of 2 December 17, 1966 - Mr. & Mrs. Ripley's Christmas Cocktail Party

1967 DINNERS

Box 1 of 2 January 17, 1967 - Dinner Preceding S.I. AIA Joint Lecture, MHT Reception
Room

Box 1 of 2 February 8 - Informal Dinner for Mr. Steinberg, Alibi Club

Box 1 of 2 February 19, 1967 - Informal Dinner for Mr. Ian McCallum Metropolitan Club

Box 1 of 2 February 22, 1967 - Congressional Informal Dinner

Box 1 of 2 Dinner, Flag Hall

Box 1 of 2 February 27, 1967 - Steinberg Luncheon, MHT Reception Suite

Box 1 of 2 May 25, 1967 - Dinner, MHT Reception Suite

Box 1 of 2 May 31 - Luncheon for Dr. and Mrs. Abbot, Regents Room (Sherry in Mr.
Ripley's Office)

Box 1 of 2 October 17, 1967 - Dinner for the Hirshhorns (informal) Barney House

Box 1 of 2 December 5, 1967 - Informal Dinner, F St. Club for the Gardner Stouts

Box 1 of 2 December 18 - Mr. and Mrs. Ripley's Christmas Cocktail Party Barney Studio
House for Top Staff and Associates

Box 1 of 2 December 19 - Peruvian Silver Dinner, Folk Art Hall, MHT Before Opening of
Exhibit

1968 DINNERS AND PARTIES

- Box 1 of 2 January 10 - Dinner Alibi Club
- Box 1 of 2 February 21 - Dinner
- Box 1 of 2 March 29, 1968 - Livingston - Ripley Dinner, Palm Beach
- Box 1 of 2 May 1 - Diplomatic Dinner, Folk Art Hall, Followed by Mucicale & Combo
- Box 1 of 2 May 3 - Regents Dinner, Delian Gallery, National Portrait Gallery (NPG)
- Box 1 of 2 May 4 - Dinner
- Box 1 of 2 May 17 - Luncheon Honoring President Bourguiba of Tunis - Host-Chief Justice MHT
- Box 1 of 2 June 4 - Luncheon in Honor of Dr. Abbot's 96th birthday, MHT Porch Outside Staff Dining Room
- Box 1 of 2 June 14 - Dinner F Street Club, Before Preview, "The Art of Organic Forms"
- Box 1 of 2 October 5 (Lunch & Dinner) NPG
- Box 1 of 2 October 10 - Dinner, Gem Hall, MNH Before Opening of "The Japan Expedition"
- Box 1 of 2 December 6 - Symphony Ball

1969 DINNERS AND PARTIES

- Box 1 of 2 January 7 - Dinner, Smithsonian-Archeological Institute of America Reception Suite, MHT
- Box 1 of 2 January 8 - Hirshhorn Luncheon following Ground Breaking Ceremony - Great Hall, S.I. Building
- Box 1 of 2 January 8 - Dinner in Honor of the Hirshhorns, Barney House
- Box 1 of 2 February 17 - Dinner, Gem Hall, MNH before Link Lecture
- Box 1 of 2 February 18 - Dinner, Tory Peterson (NAS - Anonymous Donor) Reception Suite, MNH

Box 1 of 2 February 25 - Dinner

Box 1 of 2 March 24 - Dinner, To Meet Mr. and Mrs. William H. Phelps, Jr.

Box 1 of 2 March 25 - "Over-35" Dinner, Alibi Club

Box 1 of 2 April 15 - Staff Cocktail Party

Box 1 of 2 May 5 - "Younger" Dinner, Alibi Club

Box 1 of 2 May 15 - Informal Dinner for Symposium Guests, Barney House

Box 1 of 2 May 25 - Informal Dinner for Mr. Jamshed Bhabha

Box 1 of 2 May 29 - Dr. Abbot's 97th Birthday Luncheon, Commission Room NPG, Fine Arts & Portrait Gallery Building

Box 1 of 2 June 3 - Calder Stabile Dedication Luncheon, SHAMIANA, 5th Floor, NMHT

Box 1 of 2 June 3 - Farewell Dinner for Chief Justice Warren Nagels (in Mexico) & the Johnstons Followed by Folklife Festival Movie Reception-Suite

Box 1 of 2 July 6 - Informal Dinner for Governor Shafer of Pennsylvania, NMHT 5th Floor Terrace

Box 1 of 2 September 29, 1969 - Diplomatic Dinner Back Festival Winners

Box 1 of 2 September 30 - Dinner Honoring Dr. Daniel J. Boorstin, NMHT - cocktails Shamiana, dinner Folk Art Hall

Box 1 of 2 October 13 - IUDZG Dinner (informal), Gem Hall, NMHH

Box 1 of 2 October 22 - Dinner

Box 1 of 2 October 24 - Luncheon for Pacific Tropical Botanical Garden Board - Gem Hall, NMNH

Box 1 of 2 November 4 - Dinner Barney Studio House for NPG Commissioners

Box 1 of 2 November 11 - Cocktail Party Honoring Former Members of the Ladies Committee of the Associates

Box 1 of 2 November 19 - "Watson Luncheon" Plaza Hotel - Blue Room

Box 1 of 2 December 8 - Dinner for Mr. and Mrs. W. Gurnee Dyer before his Lecture F
St Club (informal)

Box 1 of 2 December 16 - Dinner for the Chief Justice Cocktails, Reception. Suite
NMHT

 1970 DINNERS

Box 1 of 2 February 17 - Dinner in Honor of Mr. Joshua Taylor, Alibi Club

Box 1 of 2 February 18 - Luncheon for Honorable J. William Middendorf, U.S.
Ambassador to the Netherlands, NCFCA Granite Gallery

Box 1 of 2 February 26 - Dinner before SI-Archaeological Institute of America Lecture
(informal)

Box 1 of 2 February 27 - Dinner

Box 1 of 2 March 10 - "The Role of Government in Environmental Modification" "Our
Troubled Earth" Lecture Series Auditorium, NHB

Box 1 of 2 March 17 - Dinner

Box 1 of 2 March 19 - Dinner, Gem Hall, NMNH before Petroleum Opening

Box 1 of 2 March 26 - Smithsonian Associates Promotional Luncheon, Mr. Burden's
House, Hobe Sound

Box 1 of 2 March 28 - Informal Dinner, the Joseph Verner Reed family, Golf House,
Jupiter Island

Box 1 of 2 May 14 - Dinner for "Younger Group"

Box 1 of 2 May 18 - Dinner for VIP Group

Box 1 of 2 May 28 - Abbot 98th Birthday Luncheon, New Regents Room

Box 1 of 2 June 5 or June 10 - Departmental Chairmen Cocktail Party

Box 1 of 2 June 8 - Last VIP Dinner

Box 1 of 2 Planning - July 3, July 4 & July 5

- Box 1 of 2 September 25 - National Audubon Society Board Meeting, NMNH - Cocktails, Bird Hall & Dinner
- Box 1 of 2 October 2 - Dinner before CURTAIN RAISER
- Box 1 of 2 October 16 - Special Council Dinner Given by Mr. and Mrs. Ripley Barney House Cocktails
- Box 1 of 2 November 12 - Informal Dinner, F Street Club
- Box 1 of 2 The Tengye Lyonpo's Visit - November 12-13
- Box 1 of 2 December 7 - Dinner in honor of Mr. Delacour
- Box 1 of 2 December 9 - Dinner for Mr. Ritterbush, Regents Room
- Box 1 of 2 December 23 - Dinner for Guests Fir Washington Debutante Ball
- 1971 DINNERS
- Box 1 of 2 January 12 - Dinner and Lecture Gem Hall and NHB Auditorium (Dr. Roger S. Payne)
- Box 1 of 2 January 25 - Dinner
- Box 1 of 2 March 13, 1971 - Dinner, Alibi Club
- Box 1 of 2 March 15, 1971 - Dinner
- Box 1 of 2 March 16, 1971 - Small Informal Dinner for the Conroy's
- Box 1 of 2 March 26, 1971 - Mrs. Gerald M. Livingston's Palm Beach Dinner
- Box 1 of 2 April 1 - Dinner Before Opening Henry Benbridge Portrait Exhibit, NPG 2nd Floor Lounge over F Street entrance
- Box 1 of 2 April 14 - Informal Dinner, Barney House in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Barchas
- Box 1 of 2 April 29 - Link Lecture, Mr. Stachiw - Dinner Gem Hall, Lecture, Auditorium
- Box 1 of 2 May 25 - Dinner in honor of the Count and Countess Pierre Etienne, de Viel Castel

- Box 1 of 2 May 26 - Dr. Abbot's 99th Birthday Luncheon
- Box 1 of 2 May 27 - Dinner before Opening of John F. Kennedy Center
- Box 1 of 2 June 9 - Dinner in honor of the Lacour-Gayets
- Box 1 of 2 June 15 - Reception & Dinner following Hall of Ceramics, NMHT Opening
Campbell Museum Collection
- Box 1 of 2 July 1 - Buffet Luncheon for Governor Gilligan, 5th Floor Terrace, NMHT
- Box 1 of 2 July 2 - Buffet Supper, 5th Floor Terrace, NMHT, New Staff Members and
their Families
- Box 1 of 2 July 6 - Informal Dinner, 1925 F Street Club 7:30 p.m.
- Box 1 of 2 September 21 - Regents Dinner, Great Hall
- Box 1 of 2 September 24 - Dinner for the Jackson Burkes
- Box 1 of 2 September 25 - Luncheon following Board of Trustees (Hirshhorn) FA&PG
Building, Finley Conference Room
- Box 1 of 2 September 26 - 125th Anniversary Dinner - Cocktails, Great Hall, Dinner, The
Commons
- Box 1 of 2 October 7 - Reception and Dinner for the First Annual Meeting of the National
Board Smithsonian Associates, NMNH Gem Hall
- Box 1 of 2 November 3 - Informal Dinner for Mr. Delacour
- Box 1 of 2 November 30 - After-Theatre Buffet Supper for Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Phelps
"Country Girl"
- Box 1 of 2 December 15 - Luncheon, The Parlor for Mr. Link & Mr. and Mrs. J. Seward
Johnson
- Box 1 of 2 December 17 - Dinner before Associates NMNH Fund Raising Dance
- 1972 DINNERS
- Box 1 of 2 January 5 - Mr. Burden's STAG Dinner (informal) for the CHANCELLOR

Box 1 of 2 January 14 - Luncheon, Greenland Exhibit, MMMT, Reception Suite Mrs. Ripley too

Box 1 of 2 January 26 - Dinner, Renwick Gallery - Cocktails [before opening] - Dinner [professional circa.]

Box 1 of 2 January 27 - Regents Dinner (wives included) at Hillwood

Box 1 of 2 February 28 - Dinner, NASM (A&I) before opening "Ballooning: Man's First Aeronautical Adventure into Space"

Box 1 of 2 March 6 - Dinner in honor of Julia Child

Box 1 of 2 March 9 - Diplomatic Dinner, Renwick Gallery Musical Evening

Box 1 of 2 March 29, 1972 - Mrs. Gerald M. Livingston's Dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. S. Dillon Ripley

Box 1 of 2 April 11 - Dinner, Alibi Club in honor of Mr. Philip Hofer

Box 1 of 2 April 12 - The Zodiac

Box 1 of 2 April 14 - Informal Dinner (ORCHIDS)

Box 1 of 2 May 3 - Lunch, Executive Committee of the Board of Regents, The Parlor

Box 1 of 2 May 10 - Regents Dinner in Honor of Dr. Abbot's 100th Birthday, Great Hall

Box 1 of 2 May 17 - Informal Dinner before Opening of Drug Exhibit, The Commons

Box 1 of 2 May 18 - Speak at Audubon Naturalist Society's Annual Banquet, NMNH Whale

Box 1 of 2 May 25 - Dinner

Box 1 of 2 October 17 - Stag Dinner (co-host, Dr. E.E. David, Jr.) for 6 Soviet scientists headed by Dr. Keldysh, S.I.

Box 1 of 2 November 16 - Informal Dinner, Alibi Club Hirshhorn Trustees

Box 1 of 2 November 17 - Cromer Luncheon, The Parlor

Box 1 of 2 December 11 - Dinner for Mr. Delacour

Box 1 of 2 December 16 - Dinner before Associates Fund Raising Dance

Box 1 of 2 December 26 - Dinner (informal), Metropolitan Club

1973 DINNERS

Box 1 of 2 January 24 - Regents Dinner, Hillwood Memorial Service

Box 1 of 2 March 5 - Dinner, Alibi Club

Box 1 of 2 March 7 - Dinner

Box 1 of 2 March 14 - Dinner

Box 1 of 2 March 29 - Your Invitation List for Mrs. Livingston's Party

Box 1 of 2 April 27 - Dinner in honor of Mr. & Mrs. William H. Phelps, Jr.

Box 1 of 2 May 2 - Dinner, Freer Gallery of Art

Box 1 of 2 May 8 - Informal Dinner in honor of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph H. Hirshhorn

Box 1 of 2 May 16 - Lunch, The Parlor, Messrs, Watson and Lapham and the Chief Justice

Box 1 of 2 May 30 - Cocktail-Bufferet to meet Miss Laurel Ripley

Box 1 of 2 May 31 - Dr. Abbot's 101st Birthday luncheon, Suite, NMHT

Box 1 of 2 July 4 - Supper and watch the fireworks, 5th Floor Terrace NMHT "under the shamianah"

Box 1 of 2 July 5 - Luncheon for Governor Ford of Kentucky, Roof, NMHT

Box 1 of 2 September 17 - Mrs. Taylor's informal dinner, Carnegie Manson

Box 1 of 2 December 21 - Scholarship Fund Raising Dinner - Dance, Smithsonian Associates Women's Committee, NMHT

1974 DINNERS

Box 1 of 2 February 15 - Division of Performing Arts Diplomatic Luncheon, Director's Conference Room, NMHT

Box 1 of 2 February 22 - Dinner

Box 1 of 2 February 26 - Ambassadors' Dinner, Renwick Gallery

Box 1 of 2 February 27 - Buffet Supper in honor of Dr. Jacob Bronowski, Gem Hall, NMNH

Box 1 of 2 April 30 - Dinner, Alibi Club

Box 1 of 2 4th of July Party - Roof Terrace HTB

Box 1 of 2 November 8 - Dinner for Ambassador Kennan, Alibi Club

Box 1 of 2 December 9 - Dinner for Mr. & Mrs. William Phelps

Box 1 of 2 December 20 - Dinner before Waltz Group

1975 DINNERS

Box 1 of 2 March 26 - Dinner at home

Box 1 of 2 April 3 - Mrs. Livingston's Dinner in Palm Beach (1975)

Box 1 of 2 April 21 - Dinner for PTBG 1925 F Street Club

Box 1 of 2 June 12 - Dinner for new Regents

Box 1 of 2 July 4, 1975 - Supper Party NMHT 5th Floor Terrace

Box 1 of 2 November 21 - Dinner

Box 1 of 2 October 9 - Luncheon for Mr. & Mrs. Peter von Siemens, Parlor

Box 1 of 2 December 12 - Women's Committee Christmas Dance

Box 2

Box 2 of 2 Grosvenor, Melville

Box 2 of 2 Golden Spike

- Box 2 of 2 Glass Lanterns & Stool from India - Correspondence with M. David thru Miss Weiss

- Box 2 of 2 Hellman, Geoffrey of the The New Yorker

- Box 2 of 2 Committee on a Community College for Northwestern Connecticut

- Box 2 of 2 Delcour, Mr. Jean

- Box 2 of 2 Farmington (Miss Porter's School)

- Box 2 of 2 French Institute

- Box 2 of 2 Korda, Michael V.

- Box 2 of 2 Ladew, Mr. Harvey

- Box 2 of 2 National Parks Association

- Box 2 of 2 Miscellaneous Correspondence, B-N. Correspondents include Robert S. McNamara, Olga Hirshhorn, and Charles A. Lindbergh (4 folders)