

# LEGACY MAILING

## ROBERT TRENT JONES SOCIETY

APRIL 2026 EDITION



### ***RTJ'S LEGACY AT AUGUSTA NATIONAL GOLF CLUB***

Robert Trent Jones, Sr.'s  
Redesign of 16<sup>th</sup> hole "Redbud"

**READ NOW ON GOLF DIGEST**

Photo: Augusta National Golf Club



### ***RTJ SOCIETY ANNUAL GATHERING AT FIRESTONE***

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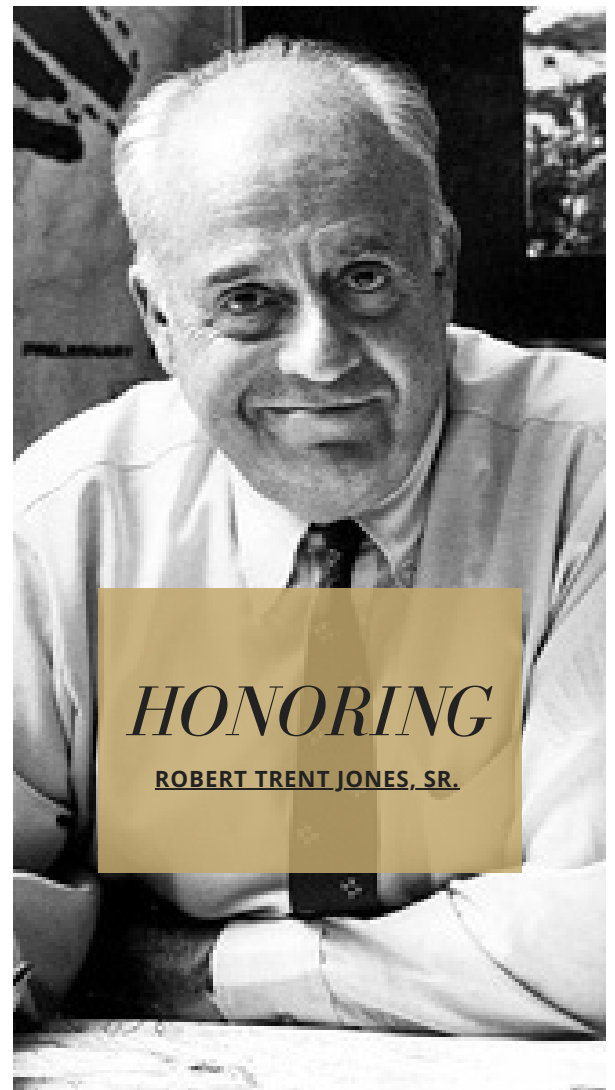
Photo: Firestone Country Club



### ***UPCOMING RTJS OUTINGS***

Proudly hosted by **Mission Viejo Country Club**  
and **North Hills Country Club**

**REGISTER TODAY FOR THE SOCAL AND NORTHEAST REGIONAL EVENTS**



## ***HONORING***

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**Golf Digest**

March 17, 2026

**Robert Trent Jones, Sr.'s  
redesign of the par-3 16th  
hole at Augusta National  
Golf Club**

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STORY HERE](#)

**Robert Trent Jones, Sr.'s redesign of the par-3 16th hole at Augusta National Golf Club, known as "Redbud,"** remains one of the most influential architectural moments in golf. In 1947-48, Jones transformed what was once a straightforward hole by rotating its angle, introducing a pond, and shaping a dynamic, contoured green. The result elevated the hole into a strategic, risk-reward challenge that **has since become a defining stage for dramatic moments at The Masters.**

This legacy is central to the mission of the Robert Trent Jones Society. As **the only hole at Augusta not originally designed by its founders, the 16th stands as a testament to Jones' vision, where design shapes competition, creativity, and unforgettable moments.** Through stories like this, the Society proudly preserves and celebrates the enduring impact of Robert Trent Jones Sr. on golf.

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## 22<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL ROBERT TRENT JONES SOCIETY GATHERING

As a member of an RTJ Society Member Club, you are invited to attend the Annual Gathering. We will enjoy friendly competition on the **North & South Courses**, **meaningful connection**, and a **deeper look into Society happenings alongside fellow RTJ Society clubs**. Guest speakers and additional experiences are being thoughtfully planned, with more details to come. Please continue to check [www.roberttrentjonessociety.com](http://www.roberttrentjonessociety.com) for updates.

## DETAILS

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**What:** Two rounds of golf, course historical tour, Friday Welcome Reception, Saturday breakfast & dinner, and Sunday dinner including limited beer, wine, cocktails, and gifts

**Who:** Robert Trent Jones Society Members and Friends

**When:** September 11-13, 2026

**Where:** Firestone Country Club in Akron, Ohio

**Attire:** Country Club  
Semi-formal for September 13 dinner

**Member Rate:** \$995/person  
Non-golfing guests \$345/person

**Firestone**  
COUNTRY CLUB 

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## UPCOMING EVENTS AT RTJS MEMBER CLUBS

As a member of an RTJ Society Member Club, you are invited to participate in Regional Outings across the country. Members of Clubs within the Geographic Region are invited by their team captain to play.



**What:** 3rd Annual Robert Trent Jones Society Northeast Regional Outing competing for the “Jones Cup”

**Who:** Robert Trent Jones Society Members and Friends

**When:** June 10, 2026

11:00 a.m. Brunch and Warmup  
12:30 p.m. Announcements and Shotgun start  
5:00 p.m. Awards and Buffet Dinner

**Where:** North Hills Country Club in Manhasset, New York

**Attire:** Country Club

**Member Rate:** \$180/person

*Note:* NHCC members are to register through NHCC.

Includes brunch, golf, golf cart, and evening buffet

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**What:** 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Robert Trent Jones Society SoCal Regional Outing

**Who:** Robert Trent Jones Society Members and Friends

**When:** July 15, 2026

11:30 a.m. Brunch and Warmup  
1 p.m. Shotgun start  
5:30 p.m. Awards and Dinner

**Where:** Mission Viejo Country Club in Mission Viejo, California

**Attire:** Country Club

**Member Rate:** \$180/person

Includes brunch, golf, golf cart, and dinner  
Dinner-only guests: \$60/person

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## REINTRODUCING THE ROBERT TRENT JONES SOCIETY PASSPORT PROGRAM

Friends,

As a valued member club of the Robert Trent Jones Society, we are proud to reintroduce the Society's Passport Program, an exclusive opportunity that extends your golf experience far beyond your home course.

**The Passport Program offers a reciprocal network of distinguished Robert Trent Jones Sr.-designed courses**, allowing members to experience some of the most iconic layouts in the game. From historic championship venues to hidden architectural gems, each course reflects the strategic brilliance and enduring legacy of Robert Trent Jones, Sr.

Participating clubs across the country open their doors through this unique arrangement, with reciprocal access coordinated directly through your club's golf professional. While specific terms and fees may vary by location, **your Head Professional or Director of Golf can assist with planning your visit and securing tee times provided that your own Club participates in the Passport Program.**

We encourage you to **explore the full list of participating courses on the Robert Trent Jones Society website** and begin planning your next round on a course shaped by one of golf's most influential architects.

**Your next great golf experience may be just a Passport away.**

Warmly,

David Cardwell

Executive Director

Robert Trent Jones Society

**PASSPORT PROGRAM**

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## WE CARE TO KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING AT YOUR CLUB

### Have something to share?

We welcome updates from member clubs, including tournaments, renovations, clubhouse news, and historical insights tied to the legacy of Robert Trent Jones, Sr. Submit content anytime to [MemberHappenings@RTJSociety.com](mailto:MemberHappenings@RTJSociety.com) for potential inclusion in future LEGACY mailings.

### Have an idea for future features?

LEGACY is designed to grow with our membership. We encourage suggestions such as favorite RTJ-designed holes, archival photos, and unique club stories. **Share your ideas at [MemberHappenings@RTJSociety.com](mailto:MemberHappenings@RTJSociety.com) or with your Executive Sponsor.**

Warmly,  
David Leigh  
President  
Robert Trent Jones Society