

MRS. NIXON'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS AS FIRST LADY

TRAVEL

Mrs. Nixon is the most well traveled First Lady in history. During her political career as the wife of Richard Nixon she has traveled over half a million miles. As First Lady she has traveled over a quarter of a million miles.

Mrs. Nixon is the first wife of a President to be sent by her husband in a substantive role to foreign countries by herself.

- Mrs. Nixon traveled to Peru in June of 1970 to carry supplies and hope to the victims of the May 31 earthquake.
- Mrs. Nixon visited Liberia, Ghana and the Ivory Coast in January of 1972 as Special Ambassador to the Inauguration of President Tolbert of Liberia. She visited the other two countries as the President's special representative.

Mrs. Nixon is the first First Lady ever to set foot in Russia and China. Her role in the President's search for international peace is a very viable one.

Mrs. Nixon has traveled extensively in the United States, visiting every state and in her own words "Almost every square inch of this country."

VOLUNTEERISM

Mrs. Nixon is the nation's leading advocate of volunteerism. She has traveled extensively in this country and abroad to promote this cause and has received many awards from national and international organizations for her work i. e. the Lion's International Humanitarian Award, Rehabilitation International's Volunteer Award, and many others.

THE WHITE HOUSE

Mrs. Nixon has redecorated and refurbished the White House in remarkable and innovative ways. She has completed the redecorating of all the major state rooms to the acclaim of the critics. She has acquired the most outstanding collection of paintings and furniture ever to be housed

in the White House. Her esthetic lighting of the White House at night has been described as the most beautiful lighting of a national monument in Washington.

Mrs. Nixon has made the White House more accessible and a more pleasant experience for national and international visitors. She has initiated a variety of historical and artistic displays in the halls and rooms, rerouted visitors through a more prestigious entrance, changed the uniforms of the Tour Officers, visited with the tourists whenever time permits, revised the "Living White House" book, produced a recording for the blind on the White House tour, initiated Candelight Tours, enhanced the decorations in the White House, particularly at Christmas.

THE ARTS

Mrs. Nixon has consistently supported the arts in this country. She has visited galleries, opened special exhibits, concerts, concert halls and attended special performances. She has brought numerous outstanding performers to the White House for Evenings at the White House, State Dinners and White House Worship Services. She sponsored the first exhibit by an American artist in the White House with a special tribute to Andrew Wyeth.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Mrs. Nixon has consistently encouraged programs and efforts on behalf of the handicapped, i. e. the recording for the blind, special tours of the White House for the handicapped, visits to organizations who work in these fields.

Mrs. Nixon crossed the country visiting Legacy of Parks projects to draw attention to the President's program. She has visited and encouraged Red Cross, Girl Scouts, student groups, voluntary action centers, urban city programs, day care centers, schools for the mentally retarded.

HOSTESS OF THE WHITE HOUSE

Mrs. Nixon's charm and grace as a hostess are becoming legend. She and the President have entertained more people in the White House during their term of office than any other couple. Approximately 50,000 people a year have been entertained in addition to the million and a half tourists.

Mrs. Nixon has constantly met hundreds of worthy organizations at receptions and teas to commend them for their work and efforts on behalf of worthy causes.

DISASTER RELIEF WORK

Mrs. Nixon visited Peru in June of 1970 to bring supplies and relief to the earthquake victims.

Mrs. Nixon was the Honorary Chairman of the Pakistani Flood Relief and held several meetings and receptions at the White House to spearhead this work.

Mrs. Nixon attended the Rapid City Memorial Service for the flood victims of that disaster.

Mrs. Nixon participated in the "Bob Hope Special Relief Program" on television to help raise \$2 million for the Hurricane Agnes/Red Cross Relief Fund.

In addition, of course, Mrs. Nixon runs the domestic staff of the White House, oversees all of the dinners, receptions, teas and special events, and fulfills her role as wife and mother.