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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 14, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO: PETER SORUM
FROM: SUSAN PORTER
SUBJECT: Action Memo

Mrs. Ford and Susan Ford have accepted the following out-of-house invitation:

EVENT: First Lady's Breakfast

GROUP: Congressional Club

DATE: Thursday, May 20, 1976

TIME: 11:00-12:00 Head Table Reception (Ambassador's Room)
12:00 Luncheon (Regency Room)

PLACE: Shoreham Hotel, 234-0700

CONTACT: Mrs. William Armstrong (Colorado), Breakfast Chairman
536-3454
Mrs. Richardson Preyer (N.C.), President, Congressional Club

COMMENTS: The First Lady's Breakfast is a very special annual event given each year by the Congressional Club in honor of the First Lady. It is attended by all the wives of the members of Congress, the wives of Supreme Court Justices, wives of the members of the Cabinet, the wife of the Vice President and the First Lady. The Congressional Club works very hard all year on this event and it is one that everyone attending looks forward to all year. The breakfast (which is really a luncheon) is preceded by a VIP reception. Mrs. Ford is inviting a number of guests to attend the luncheon. They will drive to the White House, leave their cars and ride in the motorcade with Mrs. Ford to the Shoreham. We will be in touch about the number. They will not participate in the reception but will go directly to the Regency Room. The file is attached. Thank you.

c: BF Staff
Red Cavaney
William Nicholson
Max Friedersdorf
Rex Scouten
Staircase



July 2, 1975

MEMORANDUM TO: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
WARREN RUSTAND

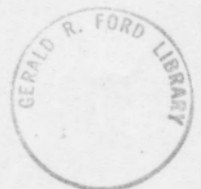
FROM: SUSAN PORTER

*noted on
working calendar.*

This is to tell you that the date for the 1976 First Lady's Breakfast has been set for Thursday, May 20, 1976 at the Shoreham Hotel. As you know, this is also the time when former members of Congress and their wives also come to Washington. Mrs. Ellen Armstrong is Chairman of the 1976 First Lady's Breakfast.

Thank you.

c: ✓ BF Pending Accepted (May 20, 1976)



March 2, 1976

Dear Mrs. Armstrong,

This is to confirm our conversations. Mrs. Ford is greatly looking forward to attending the Congressional Wives First Lady's Breakfast on Thursday, May 20th at the Shoreham Americana Hotel. Closer to the date, we will be in communication with you regarding details and, in the meantime, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call. I am sure Mrs. Ford would want me to convey her warmest best wishes to all who are actively involved for this lovely, annual occasion.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,

Susan Porter
Appointments Secretary
for Mrs. Ford

Mrs. William L. Armstrong
1445 Laburnum Street
McLean, Virginia 22101

SP/sr

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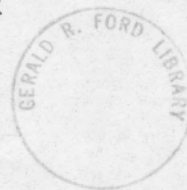


MRS. FORD AND SUSAN FORD
1976 Congressional Club Annual Luncheon

Thursday, May 20, 1976:

- 11:10 a.m. LEAVE SOUTH GROUNDS BY CAR.
- 11:30 a.m. Arrive Shoreham Americana Hotel
Met by: Mrs. Emily Preyer, President-Congressional Club
Mrs. Ellen Armstrong, Luncheon Chairman
- 11:35 a.m. Congressional Club Luncheon Reception
Ambassador Room, Shoreham Americana Hotel
- 11:45 a.m. Photo Session during reception
Ambassador Room, Shoreham Americana Hotel
Photographs with the following groups:
1. Congressional Club Luncheon Committee (35)
 2. C.C. Board of Directors (10)
 3. C.C. Past Presidents (10)
 4. C.C. Donors (10)
 5. New Kingston Trio (Entertainment) (6)
- 12:00 noon Head Table Assembly
Each person at the head table will be introduced individually and escorted to the ballroom by members of the U.S. Marine Honor Guard.
- 12:20 p.m. Mrs. Ford is introduced; escorted by Marine Colonel Jack T. Kline - Conductor, U.S. Marine Corps Band
- 12:30 p.m. Congressional Club Luncheon
Regency Ballroom, Shoreham Americana Hotel
Mrs. Armstrong introduces Mrs. Preyer
National Anthem and Invocation by Mrs. Robert McClory
- 1:15 p.m. Mrs. Preyer commences luncheon program
Mrs. Ford is called forward to officially present three \$1,000.00 checks to the representatives of the following charities:
1. Washington Chapter of Recording for the Blind
Representative: Mrs. Malcolm Price
 2. Family Center for Child Abuse
Representative: Miss Mary Margaret Kerr
 3. Children's Hospital Fund
Representative: Dr. Kathleen Hammock

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Mrs. Preyer then introduces The First Lady

1:25 p.m. Mrs. Ford - Remarks

Upon conclusion of Mrs. Ford's remarks:

Mrs. Brown introduces the luncheon entertainment:
The New Kingston Trio (1/2 hour program)

2:00 p.m. Luncheon Program concludes
Mrs. Ford is escorted from the ballroom by Mrs. Preyer.

2:05 p.m. Depart Shoreham Americana Hotel

NOTE: Guests of Mrs. Ford are seated at Table # 19
10 seats
Guests are asked to depart the ballroom as Mrs. Ford
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Advanceman: Mike Scanlon



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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

Caroline -

Attached are 6 thank you
notes from Mrs. Ford's
attendance at the Congressional
Club Breakfast, held at the
Shenbrot-American in D.C.
on Thurs., May 20th.

I was advance on this function.
If I can be of further assistance
please call at: 755-0416,
my office at EPA.

Mike Scanlon



For Mike Scanlon:

*Marge W. will
thank*

Mrs. Anne Burhans
Star Route
Lomar Farm
Warrenton, Virginia 22186

*Marge will
thank*

Miss Judith A. Turner
The Doll Shoppe
Evans Farm Inn
1696 Chain Bridge Road
McLean, Virginia 22101

*Marge will
thank*

Mr. Walter Turner
R.R. 1
Heltonville, Indiana 47436

*Congressional
wives*

Mrs. Richardson Preyer (Emily)
2700 Virginia Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20037

Mrs. W.L. Armstrong (Ellen)
1445 Laburnum Street
McLean, Virginia 22101

Home - Lt. Col. Jack T. Kline USMC
7605 Riverside Dr.
Oxon Hill, Md. 20022

GIFT TO MRS. FORD —

Designed and made the needlepoint pillow. (Daughter of Mrs. John Mackie, a member of the Congressional Club, formerly of Michigan.)

GIFT TO MRS. FORD —

Made the gift doll in the likeness of Mrs. Ford, as well as the doll centerpieces.

*12" GIFT TO MRS. FORD
rocking chair (Grandfather of
Miss Turner) hand made
for above doll.*

President of the Congressional Club
introduced Mrs. Ford
as "Steady Betty"

Chairman of the First Lady's
Breakfast - 1976 1,120 attended
beautiful floral decorations
handwork by entire committee
Director of the Marine Band
Escorted Mrs. Ford
to the stage.

Mrs. Rockefeller, Supreme Court & Cabinet wives
attended. Mrs. Ford brought along 10 guests + Susan
to attend. You might mention how much they enjoyed
the affair. The New Kingston Trio played as the
program entertainment. Mrs. Ford will be sending
them an autographed photo, taken by WH staff.



✓ Janet Ford

✓ Harriet Thorne

✓ Donna Danielson 751-5680

✓ Marge Seith 751-3717

✓ Nancy Smith 370-1808

✓ Lib Nohrden 750-1242

✓ Lib Carr 370-3033

✓ Jeanne Collier 765-4555

✓ Marge Rogers 370-1297

✓ Louise Abbruzzese 751-3608

Congressional Club

Southeast Gate
May 20th 11:00 am



FYI

May 19, 1976

Susan,

The following ladies will be guests of Mrs. Ford's
at the First Lady's Breakfast on May 20th:

Janet Ford
Harriet Thorne
Donna Danielson
Marge Leith
Nancy Smith
Lib Nohrden
Lib Carr
Jeanne Collier
Marge Rogers
Louise Abbruzzese

They will arrive through the Southeast Gate at
11 am and will gather in the Diplomatic Reception
Room.

11:10 A.M.

Nancy

cc: Rex Scouten







Our Bicentennial Salute to Betty Ford.

... We salute you for being a First Lady who is a unique combination of all that is feminine, yet equally strong in your beliefs;

... We salute you as a First Lady who feels that being a wife and mother are a first priority, yet who wants women to have equal opportunity in whatever role they choose for themselves;

... We salute you as a First Lady with a sense of humor, a sense of style and a sense of self.

HONORING

MRS. GERALD R. FORD

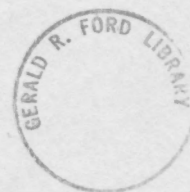
THE CONGRESSIONAL CLUB
ANNUAL BREAKFAST

THURSDAY, MAY 20, 1976

THE SHOREHAM AMERICANA HOTEL

Regency Ballroom

Washington, D.C.



PROGRAM

Music

United States Marine Band
Lt. Colonel Jack Kline, Conductor

Introduction of Distinguished Guests

The National Anthem
M Gy Sgt. Michael Ryan, Soloist

Invocation
Mrs. Robert McClory

Greetings from Mrs. Preyer

Response from Mrs. Ford

Guest Artist

The New Kingston Trio
Appearing through the courtesy of
The Royal Hawaiian Supper Club
Baileys Crossroads, Virginia



In honor of Mrs. Gerald Ford the Congressional Club members are proud to present checks to three organizations.

One is the Family Center, an innovative community facility recently established in Washington to work with abused children and their parents. The Center has four programs — hotline crisis counseling, therapeutic day care, multilevel family treatment, and a training program for professionals and para-professionals.

The second recipient is the Children's Hospital Fund for purchase of an EMI scanner — a revolutionary X-ray procedure. The scanner permits a view of the brain and lesions within the brain without the risk and discomfort of the conventional neuroradiological tests and procedures.

The third recipient is the Washington Chapter of Recording for the Blind which we had the pleasure of helping last year. The purpose of this nation-wide non-profit group is to assist students whose visual, perceptual, or physical impairment prevents them from reading.

Because of our affection and admiration for our First Lady, the Congressional Club contributes, in her name, to these three deserving organizations — the Family Center, the Children's Hospital, and the Washington Chapter of Recording for the Blind.

MENU

Aspic of Salmon
Per Chef Menes

Picattas of Veal Marsala

Grilled Tomato

Zucchini

Saffron Rice

Croissants and Butter

Souffle' Au Grand Marnier

Coffee

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The Doll Shoppe

The Hecht Company

The Tobacco Institute

The beautiful Bicentennial bisque doll on your table was handcrafted and dressed by McLean, Virginia artist, Judith A. Turner, who operates the Doll Shoppe at Evans Farm Inn.

Each doll is of a numbered series made specifically for the First Lady's Breakfast, and will assuredly become a collector's item over the years.

A Congressional hostess will approach your table during lunch to offer the centerpiece for sale. Purchase price is \$35.00.

If you are not the lucky buyer of the doll, we also offer the potted geraniums along the ramp for \$3.00 each. We will place a "sold" sign and your name on each purchase, but we ask that you be responsible for picking it up following the luncheon.

AUTOGRAPHS



Mrs. Ford