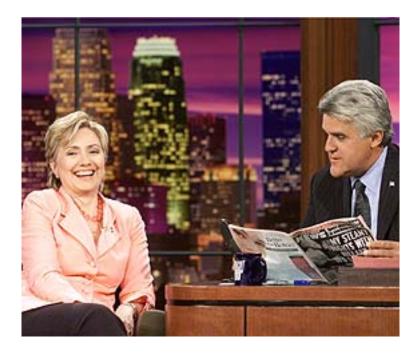
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A poll reveals that almost half of all Americans think the government is hiding evidence of UFOs from the public. The other half thinks that the evidence of UFOs existed, but it was "misplaced" by Hillary Clinton. **One of the many Clinton jokes that circulated on the Internet** 

I'm getting my facts straight. (Laughter.) First of all, let me say that Hillary and I are delighted to have all of you here. The story Hillary told about her fascination with space is not apocryphal, it is real. I heard it a long time before I ever thought she would be telling it before a microphone. And so this is a thrilling day for us. **President Bill Clinton 1998** 

We'll have a woman President by 2010. Hillary Clinton statement during the 1992 campaign.

A young girl interested in public service can be told with a straight face that she too could grow up to be president. **Hillary Rodham Clinton** 



Hillary discusses a UFO story about her "steamy relationship" with a space alien that

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# appeared in the Weekly World News.

A review of the nearly 1,000 pages of UFO files from OSTP have revealed that yet another powerful member of the Clinton White House was involved in the UFO briefings, and also in the actual attempt to bring the issue to President Clinton. That person, whose name appears more than once in the OSTP documents, was the President's wife Hillary Clinton.

Hillary's UFO involvement may have come simply from the fact that she played a strong role in many of the Clinton White House decisions. Hillary, in fact liked to quote people who referred to her and Bill in the White House as getting two for the price of one, a blue-light special. Hillary did not hide the fact that she liked the co-presidency idea.

The President asked Hillary's opinion on almost every issue. She was so much a part of the President's decisions that Washington Post reporter Bob Woodward commented, "I'd go as far as to say she's part of Bill Clinton's brain." It was reported that Hillary usually had more to say in staff meetings than the President, and she wasn't afraid to say what she had on her mind.

Chief pollster and strategist Dick Morris, the President's key pollster and strategist, stated in an interview with Peter Jennings that Hillary "had tremendous power, and was a crucial element in the White House in '93 and '94." In fact when asked, Morris agreed with the rumor that Hillary "was the power behind the throne."

Morris concluded, in fact, that Hillary was being viewed so strongly in the public, she was making the President look "weak, wishy-washy, and ineffective." When the democrats lost seats in the 1994 mid-term elections, Morris advised the President "that Hillary withdraw from overt participation in White House staff meetings and politics, so that the impression of a secret hidden power not sap her husband's image and undermine perceptions of his strength."

Hillary was not a typical First Lady. She had, for example, more senior aides on her staff than the Vice-President. She requested the office of the Vice-president, and although she did not get it she did it, she did become the only First Lady in history to have an office in the West Wing. Not only was she the only First Lady to have an office there, she was the first to have an office there for her chief of staff as well. The two offices were not only in the West Wing, they were office spaces reserved for the senior executives. This created a situation where Dee Dee

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Myers, the President's Press Secretary, was relegated to a small corner office.

Hillary was one of the six key people who sat around a table in Little Rock during the transition, and picked the key people for top White House jobs. Those sitting on the transition team stated, "she knows more about this than most of us do." Discussions took place during this time about actually giving Hillary a title in the new Administration. One of the titles considered was the President's Chief of Staff, a position Hillary had wanted.

For this and her other independent actions, Hillary was often described in unflattering terms. "The American Spectator," for example, described Hillary as "the Lady Macbeth of Little Rock: consuming ambition, inflexibility of purpose, domination of pliable husband, and an unsettling lack of tender human feeling, along with the affluent contempt for traditional female roles." Sara Polk, a third First Lady with Hillary like personal traits, was also accused of "ruling her husband and influencing his political decisions." First Lady Sara, in fact, was so involved in her role as her husband's advisor that it got her in hot water with female guests to the White House. They would find themselves standing alone following official functions. Sara, their host, would be off in the other room discussing politics with their husbands.

Not only was Hillary's strong presence inside the white House an asset to being in on UFO discussions, but she held a long time interest in space. She had, after all, decided at fourteen that she might like to be an astronaut. This desire led her to write a letter to NASA to obtain information on what steps she should take to achieve her dream. What she received back "infuriated" her. She was told NASA was not taking any female astronauts.

As well as space, Hillary also exhibited a strong liking for items of the paranormal like UFOs. It was an interest she shared with her husband, as well as many past Presidents and first ladies in history.

It now appears that Rockefeller might have been aware of Hillary's interest in the UFO subject. Rockefeller had after all known the Clintons prior to their election, and had contributed to their campaign. His brother Winthrop had like Bill Clinton been Governor of Arkansas.

William Laparl had stated that it was the scuttlebutt in high levels of government and in the CIA that both the Clintons were somewhat interested in Ufology prior to being elected. "She was

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particularly interested at one point," said Laparl, "and she was asking a lot of questions."

When I mentioned to Laparl that some researchers did not believe Hillary was in the loop, Laparl went one step further. "She was almost an equal mover with him on this," Laparl said. "I would not give him any more weight at all on this UFO thing. If anything she may have slightly been pushing it more than he was. That's the way I read the situation."

Dick Farley, who was part the Rockefeller team that was providing UFO material to Dr. Gibbons and his staff, is one of those that doubts Hillary's involvement. This belief is based partly on fact that Scott Jones had told Farley that Hillary was not in the loop.

Farley, however, publicly wrote of an incident that seems to contradict the "unknowing Hillary" theory. In an article Farley posted to the Internet he reported that on February 4, 1994, following the second briefing of the President's Science Advisor, "Laurance, Henry (Diamond) and Scott (Jones) visited the First Lady's office and met briefly with her assistant (Chief of Staff Maggie Williams)." Such a meeting in the West Wing clearly appeared to illustrate that Hillary's role in the Clinton White House's handling of the UFO situation, was one that started almost at the beginning of the Clinton administration. It at least indicates that Rockefeller thought it important enough to make his way over to Hillary's office in the West Wing of the White House to talk UFOs.

## **Paranormal First Ladies**

The idea that a First Lady might have an interest in UFOs goes all the way back to Mrs. Betty Ford. During 1966 Gerald Ford's made congressional requests for an investigation into UFO sightings that were occurring in his home state of Michigan. It was rumored, however, that it was his wife Betty who had the interest in the UFO subject. Her congressman husband, as the story goes, was only following her direction in asking for an investigation.

Nancy Reagan continued the First Lady trend with her strong interest in UFOs as well as in other areas of the paranormal. Both of her interests were shared by President Reagan. Nancy was present for Ronald Reagan's first reported UFO sighting prior to attending a dinner party in California. When Reagan had his second sighting, he reported it to Nancy as soon as he arrived home. According to Norman C. Millar, to whom Reagan told the story, Ronald and Nancy

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Reagan had done personal research on UFOs following the sighting. This research had uncovered many things, including the fact that there were references to UFOs in Egyptian history.

Although Ronald and Nancy Reagan have been written up by many historians as not always in touch with reality, the fact is that many first families who had occupied 1600 Pennsylvania Ave, were also according to available records, quite interested in things of the paranormal. A quick review shows that it was not unusual at all to find a First Lady or president with an interest in ghost, séances, or UFOs. Consider for example:

- The wife of President Abraham Lincoln, Mary Todd Lincoln, hosted as many as eight séances in the White House. President Lincoln, himself, attended at least one of these séances held in the White House on April 23, 1863. Much of Mary Todd's interest in spiritualism centered around efforts to communicate with her son Willie who in 1862 died in what is now known as the Lincoln bedroom. Mrs. Lincoln claimed success. "Willie lives," said Mrs. Lincoln, "he comes to me every night and stands at the foot of the bed with the same sweet adorable smile he always has had."
- President Theodore Roosevelt claimed that he felt the presence of Lincoln in the Lincoln bedroom. He was rumored to have kept his "astrological chart mounted on a chess board, and was said to consult it at crucial moments in his presidency."
- Eleanor Roosevelt said of the Lincoln ghost, "Sometimes when I worked at my desk late at night I'd get a feeling that someone was standing behind me. I'd have to turn around and look."
- Jimmy Carter and his wife believed that a house he lived in from 1955 to 1961 was haunted. Carter's daughter held sleeps over in the White House where the young girls waited for Lincoln's ghost to appear. In addition to ghosts, President Carter believed that on January 6, 1969 he witnessed a UFO for ten minutes while waiting for a meeting to begin in a small Georgia town.
- First ladies and Presidents who claimed to have seen or sensed Lincoln's ghost in the White House include, Grace Coolidge, Theodore Roosevelt, Eleanor Roosevelt, Harry Truman, Dwight Eisenhower, Jacqueline Kennedy, and Ladybird Johnson.
- Nancy and Ronald Reagan both claimed to have experienced the Lincoln ghost. Reagan, to the dismay of his staff even referred to Lincoln's ghost in his speeches.
- Both James Garfield and Abraham Lincoln believed they had premonitions that they would be assassinated. Truman believed that he had a premonition in a dream of Roosevelt's death just before the President died.
- Most of the decisions in the Reagan White House (especially after the assassination attempt) took place only after they were approved by Nancy Reagan's California astrologer.
- Mamie and Dwight Eisenhower fought a rumor that they were bringing psychic Jean Dixon into the White House for advice.
- Other first ladies who were interested in visionaries, psychics, mediums, astrologers, and human potential advocates included the wives of Ulysses S. Grant, John Tyler, Woodrow

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Wilson, and Warren G. Harding.

The fact then that OSTP files hint that Hillary Clinton continued the trend of interest in UFOs by first ladies should come as no surprise. These OSTP references, along with other public UFO statements, show that Hillary led all First Ladies in her strong interest in UFOs and other paranormal areas of study.

At times Hillary's interest in UFOs appeared to be one of quiet support or curiosity. In May 1995 Hillary was asked to present a lecture at a conference, sponsored by Hillary's friend Laurance Rockefeller, which dealt with the impact of possible future extraterrestrial contact. Patti Solis, Director of Scheduling for the First Lady wrote, "Mrs. Clinton's official schedule will not permit her to accept the invitation." Hillary may have been interested in UFOs, but a public speech on the topic was a bit too much of an "outing."

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