Games; and the Sun Valley resort in Idaho, repeatedly named the No. 1 ski resort in America.

Earl’s business holdings also include a large petroleum portfolio anchored by his purchase of Sinclair Oil in 1976. His innovative leadership in the petroleum business has allowed Sinclair to grow and is now one of the largest privately held, full integrated oil companies in America.

His leadership and dedication have been recognized many times through numerous awards and honors, including an honorary doctorate degree from the University of Utah, the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars of the Smithsonian Institution’s Award for Corporate Citizenship, appointments to the U.S. Postal Commission and the Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee, and as president of the American Independent Refiners Association.

Another hallmark of Earl’s life has been his dedication to his employees, a commitment that has served him well throughout the years. Earl and Carol have been a role model for all that attend to others and are always ready to lend a helping hand.

Mr. President, I consider it a great honor to call Earl Holding a friend. He is an exceptional human being whose footsteps will last for years. His success has not been achieved by one singular accomplishment but through a journey of good work and exceptional leadership. I pay tribute to him today and hope my colleagues will join with me in wishing him a very happy 80th birthday!

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNITION OF PROFESSORS OF THE YEAR

Mr. ALLARD. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate the winners of the United States Professor of the Year Award. Since 1981, this program has saluted outstanding undergraduate instructors throughout the country. This year, a State Professor of the Year was also recognized in 43 States, the District of Columbia and Guam.

This award is recognized as one of the most prestigious honors bestowed upon professors. To be nominated for this award requires dedication to the art of education and excellence in every aspect of the profession. Professors personally vested in each student shape the leaders of tomorrow. These individuals should be proud of their accomplishment.

I commend and thank all the winners for your leadership and passion for educating. No doubt you have inspired an untold number of students. I wish you the very best in all your endeavors. Congratulations and best regards.

The four national award winners are:

- Outstanding Baccalaureate Colleges Professor: K.E. Braschier, associate professor of religion and humanities, Reed College, Portland, Ore.
- Outstanding Community Colleges Professor: Mark Lewine, professor of anthropology, Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland, Ohio
- Outstanding Doctoral and Research Universities Professor: Alex Filippenko, professor of astronomy, University of California, Berkeley
- Outstanding Master’s Universities and Colleges Professor: Donna C. Boyd, professor of anthropology, Berea College.

State Winners:

- Alabama: Scott Stephens, Professor of Art, University of Montevallo.
- Arizona: Rene Diaz-Lefebvre, Professor of Psychology, Grand Canyon University.
- Arkansas: Catherine Bourdeau, Associate Professor of French, Lyon College.
- California: David Paddy, Associate Professor of English Language and Literature, Whittier College.
- Colorado: Daniel Miller, Associate Professor of Astronautics, United States Air Force Academy.
- Connecticut: Scott Plous, Professor of Psychology, Wesleyan University.
- Delaware: Alan Fox, Associate Professor of Philosophy, University of Delaware.
- District of Columbia: Elizabeth Chacko, Associate Professor of Geography and International Affairs, The George Washington University.
- Florida: William F. Felice, Professor of Political Science, Eckerd College.
- Georgia: Carmen Acevedo Butcher, Associate Professor of English, Shorter College.
- Guam: Vivian Dames, Associate Professor, University of Guam.
- Idaho: James Angresano, Professor of Political Science, College of Idaho.
- Illinois: Miriam Ben-Yoseph, Associate Professor, DePaul University.
- Indiana: Randy Roberts, Professor of History and American Studies, Purdue University.
- Iowa: Jeff Barker, Professor of Theatre and Speech, Northwestern College.
- Kansas: Harold E.L. Prins, University Distinguished Professor of Anthropology, Kansas State University.
- Kentucky: Frank Wiseeman, Professor of Chemistry, University of Kentucky.
- Louisiana: Jo Dale Ailes, Assistant Professor for Biology, Baton Rouge Community College.
- Maine: Eric Landis, Professor of Civil Engineering, University of Maine.
- Maryland: Joan Murray Naake, Professor of English, Montgomery College, Rockville, Maryland.
- Massachusetts: Cathleen K. Stutz, Assistant Professor of Education, Assumption College.
- Minnesota: Randy Moore, Professor of Biology, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.
- Mississippi: Sarah Lea McGuire, Professor of Biology, Millsaps College.
- Missouri: Lynn Rose, Associate Professor of History, Truman State University.

Montana: Robin Gerber, History and Social Sciences Instructor, Miles Community College.

Nebraska: Maxine Fawcett-Yeeks, Associate Professor of Music, Nebraska Wesleyan University.

Nevada: Cheryll Glotfelty, Associate Professor of Literature and the Environment, University of Nevada, Reno.

New Hampshire: Paul Christensen, Assistant Professor of Classics, Dartmouth College.

New Jersey: Barry V. Qualls, Professor of English, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey.

New York: Charles Williamson, Professor in the Program in Regional and Aerospace Engineering, Cornell University.

North Carolina: Thomas Arcaro, Professor of Sociology, Elon University.

Ohio: Ormond Brantwike, Professor of Biology and Chemistry, Cuyahoga Community College.

Oklahoma: Vivian Thomlinson, Associate Professor of English, Cameron University.

Oregon: Karen Elizabeth Eiffer, Associate Professor of Education, University of Portland.

Pennsylvania: Patricia Nestler, Associate Professor of English, Montgomery County Community College.

South Carolina: Maria K. Bachman, Associate Professor of English, Coastal Carolina University.

Tennessee: George Poe, Professor of French and French Studies, Sewanee: The University of the South.

Texas: Jennifer L. O’Loughlin-Brooks, Professor of Psychology, Collin County Community College.

Utah: Eric Amsel, Professor of Psychology, Weber State University.

Vermont: David T.Z. Mindich, Professor of Journalism and Mass Communication, St. Michael’s College.

Virginia: Joan Grayson, Professor of Psychology, James Madison University.

Washington: David Domke, Associate Professor of Communication, University of Washington.

West Virginia: Norman Duffy, Professor of Chemistry, Wheeling Jesuit University.

Wisconsin: Donald A. Neumann, Professor in Physical Therapy, Marquette University.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DR. MILTON FRIEDMAN

Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to honor the life of a great American economist, Dr. Milton Friedman, who passed away today.

In his 94 years, he lead an intellectual movement at the University of Chicago focused on the failure of government intervention in the market process, wrote extensively on both economics and public policy, served on the President’s Commission on an All-Volunteer Armed Force and the President’s Commission on White House Fellows, served on President Ronald Reagan’s Economic Policy Advisory Board, and served as president of American Economic Association, the Western Economic Association, and the Mont Pelerin Society. Dr. Friedman was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the National Medal of Science, and the Nobel Prize in economic sciences.

Dr. Friedman was a prominent defender of the free market and small government. A critic of the Federal Reserve, he argued that the misguided
Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, today I wish to note the passing and celebrate the life of Milton Friedman.

Nobel laureate Friedman was an economist whose work expanded academia and influenced decisions such as this bring great pride to our country.

The Wall Street Journal today quoted Carnegie Mellon University Professor Allan H. Meltzer as saying “It’s hard to think of anyone who’s had more influence on social and economic policy in this generation.”

The PBS airing of his 10-part series “Free to Choose,” a defense of free market economics, made a huge impression on me. I watched them all and learned much.

Friedman was born in 1912. After graduating from high school before his 16th birthday, Friedman won a scholarship to Rutgers University. He later studied at the University of Chicago, where he met his future wife, Rose Director. Friedman graduated with a master’s degree from the University of Chicago in 1933 and earned a doctorate from Harvard University in 1946. He served as an economic adviser during Barry Goldwater’s Presidential campaign, won the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1988, and was most recently a senior research fellow at the Hoover Institution.

His contribution to our country was vast, and I mourn his passing.

TRIBUTE TO MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY

Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, today I pay tribute to Murray State University in honor of their recognition by the annual U.S. News and World Report America’s Best Colleges issue. By constantly striving for academic excellence and inspiring their students to succeed, the faculty of this institute of higher education continues to provide the tools to ensure a bright future for all graduates.

Every year, thousands of schools are surveyed by U.S. News, and the rankings are based on expert opinion about academic program quality and statistics that measure the quality of a school’s faculty, research, and students. The information gathered is consolidated and measured to determine individual college ranking in the final report.

Murray State University has a long history of academic excellence and continues to excel in enriching the academic careers of the students who attend. The school was ranked sixth in the South as a “Top Public” university in addition. Murray was ranked 15th in the South among public and private universities in the individual category of “Best Masters Universities.” The 10,000 students who attend this school are ensured a successful academic career with diverse degree programs and exceptional faculty support.

I now ask my fellow colleagues to join me in congratulating Murray State University on their exceptional contributions. Achievements such as this bring great pride to the entire Bluegrass State. It is a true example of Kentucky at its finest.

TRIBUTE TO DR. FRANK WISEMAN

Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, today I pay tribute to Dr. Frank Wiseman, who is the recipient of the 2006 U.S. Professor of the Year Award for the State of Kentucky. This is a prestigious program that honors and awards the most influential undergraduate instructors in the country.

Since 1981, the U.S. Professors of the Year program has saluted exceptional professors who have demonstrated a heightened dedication to teaching, commitment to students, and creative instructional techniques and methods. The program is sponsored by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education which collaborates with multiple higher-education associations to direct and promote the program.

As a professor of chemistry at Georgetown College in Georgetown, KY, Dr. Wiseman uses innovative teaching methods to help his students understand the complexities of chemistry, a subject many find challenging. He has developed games and animation exercises as well as a unique grading system to address the diverse needs of his students. By introducing and applying creative educating tactics along with standard methods to assist his students, Dr. Wiseman personifies everything an educator should strive for in their career.

I now ask my fellow colleagues to join me in thanking Dr. Wiseman for his dedication and commitment to the education of America’s future. In order for our society to continue to advance in the right direction, we must have professors like Dr. Wiseman and our institutions of higher learning, in our communities, and in our lives. He is Kentucky at its finest.

COMMENDING NATALIE WILSON CRAWFORD

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, today it is my pleasure to commend Mrs. Natalie Wilson Crawford for her service to the Nation and to the U.S. Air Force.

Mrs. Crawford is an internationally recognized expert on air and space power who has been at the California-based RAND Corporation since 1984. For the past 2 years, she has held the position of vice president, RAND Corporation, and director of Project AIR FORCE, one of the principal research divisions of this famous think tank.

In the past, RAND Corporation, and director of Project RAND, formerly called Project RAND, has provided independent and objective analysis on issues of major concern to the U.S. Air Force. During her tenure as its director, Mrs. Crawford built and maintained an outstanding research team, expanded the research agenda, and further cemented RAND’s strategic relationship with the Air Force’s senior leaders.

Among her many honors, Mrs. Crawford has twice been awarded the Air Force’s Decoration for Exceptional Civilian Service. In 2003, she received both the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Air Force Analytic Community and the Lieutenant General Glenn Kotcheff Leadership Award.

In October 2006, Mrs. Crawford stepped down from her administrative roles in Project AIR FORCE, but she will continue to act as a senior advisor to RAND’s chief executive officer and as a senior mentor on the USAF Scientific Advisory Board, where she has served since 1988.

It is my pleasure and privilege to thank Natalie Crawford for her extraordinary contributions to preserving America’s national security. The dedication and energy she has shown in her four-decade career demonstrate the highest ideals of service and commitment.

HONORING DR. DAVID E. JANSSEN

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, today I honor Dr. David E. Janssen, who is retiring after an impressive career spanning 40 years as a public servant in the State of California.

Dr. Janssen is retiring as chief administrative officer of the county of Los Angeles where he has served with distinction since August 1996. I extend to him my sincere congratulations for the decades of dedicated service that he has given to his Nation, his State, and his county.