

growth, discipline training, outreach, administration, new membership integration. Janie also trained in family learning for parents of children with disabilities and has facilitated and participated in support group settings to address addictive behaviors and dysfunctional relationships.

Janie is married to Dr. David Pfefferkorn. They are the proud parents of four beautiful girls, Molly, Corrie Jo, Abby and Maggie, and the proud grandparents of twins girls, Bylie and Kylie.

Congratulations, Janie, on your recognition by the "Daughters of Sunset." Your lifelong dedication your community of Sikeston, Missouri is an inspiration to us all.

MEXICO BEACH PROPERTY BOUNDARY

HON. ALLEN BOYD

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mr. BOYD. Mr. Speaker, today, along with my Florida colleague Representative JOE SCARBOROUGH, I am introducing legislation that is intended to correct a boundary mistake made on a map in the Department of Interior's 1988 Report to Congress: Coastal Barrier Resources System. The map was subsequently adopted by Congress in the 1990 Coastal Barrier Improvement Act.

The St. Joe Company owns 45 acres east of the City of Mexico Beach, Florida. In 1988, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (the "Service") proposed certain additions and modifications to the Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS). This proposal was accompanied by maps which depicted the existing boundaries of the CBRS as well as the proposed additions and modifications. However, while the maps expressly reported to show the existing CBRS boundaries, at least one of them instead contained a boundary line that erroneously included about 45 acres of St. Joe property. Because the boundary was unintentionally misdrawn neither the property owner nor Congress was given notice of this action. In 1990, Congress enacted the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act. The CBRS maps adopted by Congress with the 1990 Act included the erroneous boundary line from the Service's proposed map.

Several years after the Mexico Beach property was mistakenly included in the CBRS, St. Joe representatives discovered the mistake while examining maps at the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Last year, representatives of St. Joe met with Department of Interior and Service officials to discuss the mistake. As a result of those discussions a letter was written to the Company from the Acting Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Gary Frazier, acknowledging that a boundary mistake had been made and stating that the Service would not object to legislation to correct the mistake. Specifically, Mr. Frazier stated:

The Service recognizes that in the 1988 Report to Congress the inclusion of the property in question was not identified as a boundary change for this unit, either in the accompanying map or text of the Report. Regrettably, this meant that neither the property owner nor Congress was provided with adequate notice of the boundary change re-

flected in the revised map for P-31. Therefore, because of this error in the Report and the equities associated with this specific situation, the Service would not oppose future legislative action to remove the 45 acres owned by the St. Joe Company from the System.

The St. Joe Company has taken the proper steps in approaching the Department of Interior and the Service about this problem. Representative SCARBOROUGH and I are taking the next step in this process by introducing legislation to correct this mistake. It has been over ten years since Congress enacted the legislation which adopted the new map misdrawing the boundary of the Mexico Beach property. Therefore, I urge the House to act expeditiously on this legislation.

SOUTHWIRE COMPANY'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. BOB BARR

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mr. BARR of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it all started with one man's dream of bringing electricity to rural Georgia. Roy Richards, Sr. wanted to supply his mother and grandmother with electricity, and from that dream, he founded Southwire Company in Carrollton, Georgia, exactly 50 years ago. On March 23, 1950, Southwire started cranking out wire with 12 employees. Two years later, the company had shipped 5 million pounds of wire and had doubled its plant size. Southwire has continued to grow, and has become a world leader in the manufacture of wire and cable.

In 1992 Southwire opened the D.B. "Pete" Cofer Technology Center. For the past five years, the center has witnessed development of the next generation of power cables—superconductors. A trio of 30-meter cables now provides power to three of the company's manufacturing plants. Southwire continues on its path of quality assurance and will remain a giant in the world of wire and cable.

I salute Southwire Company on its 50th Anniversary, and I am proud to count it as an outstanding employer, business, and community citizen in the 7th Congressional District of Georgia.

HONORING THE DISTINGUISHED CAREER OF JOHN ED MILLER

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mr. GORDON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding career of John Ed Miller, who is retiring from BellSouth on March 31 after working more than 30 years with the company. John Ed has not only had a distinguished career with BellSouth, but he has also been an outstanding civic leader in the Middle Tennessee area.

John Ed began his long telephone career with BellSouth soon after his graduation from Vanderbilt University in 1966. He progressed through a number of assignments in the Nashville and Birmingham offices before assuming his present position as BellSouth's corporate

and external affairs vice president for Tennessee.

John Ed has also taken an active role in his Middle Tennessee community. He serves and has served on numerous civic boards and organizations, demonstrating his concern and love for Middle Tennessee. His tireless dedication to these organizations has truly made Middle Tennessee a better place to live.

His leadership and vision at BellSouth will be sorely missed. I congratulate John Ed Miller on his outstanding career and wish him well in his retirement.

OIL PRICE REDUCTION ACT OF 2000

SPEECH OF

HON. MATT SALMON

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 22, 2000

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 3822) to reduce, suspend, or terminate any assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and the Arms Export Control Act to each country determined by the President to be engaged in oil price fixing to the detriment of the United States economy, and for other purposes:

Mr. SALMON. Mr. Chairman, it is well known that, for close to a year, countries from the OPEC cartel and other oil-producing countries have conspired to steal from Americans by artificially inflating the price of oil. It has had a dramatic effect on the life of every American and threatens the state of our economy. It takes more to fill our gas tanks, it is more costly to fly, and even grocery prices have risen significantly. For example, we pay an extra \$10 every time we go to a gas station to fill our tanks. This year, increased gas and oil prices will cost the average family an alarming \$700. In my home state of Arizona, higher gas prices will cost the Paradise Valley Union School District up to \$60,000 more to bus kids to and from school this year.

Unfortunately, the President's response has been tepid at best. Energy Secretary Bill Richardson recently admitted, "it is obvious that the federal government was not prepared. We were caught napping. We got complacent." The Administration, which seems to have no problem attacking American companies they suspect of being a monopoly, refuses to use its current legal arsenal to sanction foreign countries that collude in monopolistic alliances to fleece the American people.

Last year, I requested that Congress look into OPEC's price fixing scheme. And last night, Congress took a small step towards helping American consumers by passing H.R. 3822, which encourages the President to use his current authority to stop OPEC from inflating gas prices. But, I believe we can, indeed we must, do more.

First and foremost we should have included a mechanism in this legislation to penalize countries for gouging our constituents. Secondly, we should have repealed the 4.3 cent gas tax that President Clinton and Vice-President GORE included in their tax increase package of 1993. And finally, we should have examined cost effective ways to increase domestic oil production.

Looking forward, we need to pursue the development of alternative energy sources that will reduce our dependence on foreign oil. To that end, we should support tax credits for people who purchase environmentally friendly, energy efficient solar heating equipment. We should also support funding for research on solar, wind, biofuels, geothermal, and other environmentally friendly alternative forms of energy.

Perhaps we will revisit this matter when our constituents are paying \$2.50 for a gallon of gas. H.R. 3822 is a first step towards resolving the current crisis. But, Congress should have done more. Americans should not have to pay more at the gas pump, or for groceries, or to heat their homes, simply because we did not do enough to stop foreign nations from artificially increasing the price of oil. We've been far too passive for too long.

CONGRATULATING ELDER ANTHONY G. GREEN I, OF SKESTON, MO, ON HIS RECOGNITION BY THE DAUGHTERS OF SUNSET

HON. JO ANN EMERSON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mrs. EMERSON. Mr. Speaker, on Saturday, March 25, 2000, Elder Anthony G. Green I is being honored by the Skeston, MO Daughters of Sunset at their 16th Annual Recognition Program. I would like to extend my congratulations to Elder Green who is being recognized on this day for his community involvement.

Elder Green is a graduate of Skeston High School. He earned an associate degree in engineering from ITT Technical Institute in St. Louis, MO and is currently attending Green Memorial Biblical University and Andersonville Baptist Seminary. Elder Green is currently chief executive officer and pastor of Rhema World Breakthrough International Ministries of Cape Girardeau, MO and is president of the Skeston Branch of the NAACP. He was also honored by the Department of Justice National Symposium on Civil Rights in Washington, DC.

Elder Green is the cofounder and editor-in-chief of the African American Informant, Inc. Newspaper of Skeston, MO. His many community activities include the Neighborhood Improvement Association, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Celebration Co-Coordinator, Citizens Home Mission tutor and mentor, Green Memorial Biblical University Board of Directors, and the Hundred Men Rally Committee speaker and co-coordinator. Elder Green also is a member of various organizations including the NAACP, Justice League, Weed & Seed Steering Committee, Jurisdictional Djutancy Church of God in Christ, and Bootheel Healthy Start.

Elder Green has received training in a number of fields, including Community Development Training Ad Hoc Group Against Crime, Advisory Council Legislation Training, Missouri Division of Family Service—seminar on recognizing child abuse, and Southeast Missouri State University seminars in time management, cultural diversity, and conflict resolution.

Elder Green is married to Vanissa McCauley-Green and is the father of one son, Anthony Green II.

Congratulations, Elder Green, on your recognition by the "Daughters of Sunset." Your lifelong dedication to family and community is truly inspirational.

TRIBUTE TO MICHELLE RAKERS

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, today I commend a former constituent of mine, Michelle Rakers of Aviston, Illinois. Michelle now plays trumpet for the elite United States Marine Band.

As one of eleven children, Michelle comes from a very musically inclined family where all her siblings played an instrument. Michelle's determination is a testament to her success. Let me explain. She auditioned five times before she was selected as a member of the band. She never took no for an answer. I want to congratulate her for her success and thank her for her determination—we can all learn a lesson from her example.

IN HONOR OF KRISTEN STRYKER

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, today I honor Kristen Stryker of Canton. Kristen has been named as one of Ohio's top two student volunteers for the year 2000 in the fifth annual Prudential Spirit of Community awards.

Kristen, an eighth grader at Faircrest Middle School, has a vegetable garden in her backyard. The harvest from this garden is donated to needy Native Americans in her area. Kristen's grandmother is 50 percent Native American and through this Kristen feels a connection to those who share her heritage. When she heard that the nearby Allegheny Indian Center was a beneficiary of the national "Plant a Row for the Hungry" program, Kristen was eager to participate. After planting rows of zucchini, yellow squash and green and purple beans, she worked 1 hour every morning and evening from March through August weeding, watering and mulching the garden. The people who received the vegetables were able to enjoy the health benefits and the Allegheny Indian Center was able to purchase other necessary items with the money saved. Now Kristen hopes to encourage her 4-H club to adopt "Plant a Row for the Hungry" as its countywide service project. "I think this project has helped me become more sensitive to the needs of others," says Kristen.

Kristen was nominated by Stark & Summit Counties Extension 4-H in North Canton, OH for her ingenious service project. As a State honoree she will receive \$1,000, an engraved silver medallion, and an all-expense paid trip in May to Washington DC.

Please join me in honoring Kristen for her outstanding leadership and service in her community.

RECOGNITION OF TERRY WARD AS RECIPIENT OF DISTINGUISHED CAREER INTELLIGENCE MEDAL

HON. BUD SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 23, 2000

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize an honor for distinguished public service being accorded today to Terry Ward, a former constituent of mine. The Central Intelligence Agency is honoring Mr. Ward for over thirty years of distinguished government service in a wide range of dangerous and sensitive intelligence assignments in Southeast Asia, Europe, and Latin America.

Mr. Ward was born in Altoona, Pennsylvania and graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1961. Following ROTC training, Mr. Ward joined the U.S. military and joined the U.S. Embassy staff in Laos. In 1964, Mr. Ward was transferred to the CIA's Western Hemisphere Division. During the next thirty years, Mr. Ward served his country honorably and well in numerous dangerous overseas assignments in Latin America.

In my capacity as a Member of the House Intelligence Committee, I met Terry when he served in Honduras. I saw first-hand how he contributed in significant ways to fighting the efforts of the Sandinista regime in Nicaragua to destabilize its democratic neighbors. Contrary to some new reports, Terry worked hard to ensure that U.S. assistance to the Nicaraguan democratic resistance was closely managed and appropriately directed. Today, Nicaragua is a democratic ally and trading partner of the United States in no small measure to the efforts of Terry and other officers who served in the CIA's clandestine service in Central America during the 1980s.

As some may know, Mr. Ward was one of the subjects of a 1995 CIA Inspector General investigation into allegations of improper conduct by CIA officers in Guatemala in the deaths of U.S. citizen Michael Devine and Guatemalan terrorist Efraim Bamaca. The IG report, and a subsequent review by President Clinton's Intelligence Oversight Board found no information whatsoever that any employee of the CIA was either involved in the murder of Mr. Devine or in the disappearance of Bamaca. After the IG report was published, Mr. Ward was effectively forced to retire from government service by then-DCI John Deutch.

When Dr. Deutch announced his disciplinary decisions regarding the Guatemala inquiry on September 29, 1995, he stated that Mr. Ward was "respected" and "otherwise had made important contributions throughout his career." Importantly, Dr. Deutch said that he intended that Mr. Ward's retirement would involve "no loss of appropriate recognition for previous service."

Despite what you might have read in some newspapers during the past few weeks, Mr. Ward is one of the unsung heroes of the Cold War. These press accounts note that he served as the CIA's station chief in Honduras from 1987–89—what they don't say is that his efforts there and elsewhere in Central America during the mid to late 1980s contributed significantly to the strengthening of democratic governance in Honduras, Nicaragua and El Salvador.

These unsung heroes of our intelligence community neither ask for nor expect the