

these indicators are easily visible to all gun users, and my legislation will do just that.

By comparison, a magazine disconnect mechanism is an interlocking device which prevents a firearm from being fired when its ammunition magazine is removed, even if there is a round in the chamber. Interlocks are found on a wide variety of consumer products to reduce injury risks. For example, most new cars have an interlocking device that prevents the automatic transmission shifter from being moved from the "park" position unless the brake pedal is depressed. It is common sense that a product as dangerous as a gun should contain a similar safety mechanism.

This is an issue of great importance to me. At the age of sixteen, I was left paralyzed when a police officer's gun accidentally discharged and severed my spine. Had the gun involved in my accident been equipped with a chamber load indicator, the officer would have known that the weapon was loaded. Clearly, mistakes can happen even when guns are in the hands of highly-trained weapons experts, which is why safety devices are so critical.

I urge my colleagues to join me and the 43 original co-sponsors of this bill in reducing the risk of unintentional shootings. Please co-sponsor this responsible measure, and help make guns safer for consumer use while protecting those unfamiliar with the operation of guns.

TRIBUTE TO MR. AL SMITH

HON. ED WHITFIELD

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 1, 2001

Mr. WHITFIELD. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition of the contributions to Kentucky Journalism one of the great citizens and most notable journalists of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Mr. Al Smith.

Al Smith has been a major player in Kentucky Journalism since 1958 when he arrived in our Commonwealth after having covered New Orleans government. His first position was editor of the Russellville News-Democrat in Logan County. He learned about grassroots politics by spending time with the wing of the Kentucky Democratic Party headed by Logan Countian Emerson 'Doc' Beauchamp, who was the political enemy of Governor A.B. Chandler.

In 1968 Smith and some partners started their own newspaper, the Logan Leader, in competition with the News-Democrat. In a few weeks they owned both papers and began bi-weekly publishing. Then came the purchase of newspapers in Morgantown, Cadiz, and Leitchfield as part of Al Smith Communications.

Smith served as chairman of the Kentucky Oral History Commission and the Kentucky Arts Commission. He also became moderator of Kentucky Educational Television's "Comment on Kentucky" which he still heads 27 years later.

Mr. Speaker, Al Smith had grown up an admirer of the Tennessee Valley Authority and actively sought a seat on its board. Instead, he was named federal co-chairman of the Appalachian Regional Commission by President Jimmy Carter. He also served in that capacity temporarily under President Ronald Reagan.

Upon his return to Kentucky, he purchased the Sentinel Echo in London and moved there. After the sale of Al Smith Communications to Park Newspapers in the mid-80's, he and his wife Martha Helen moved to Lexington where he produced and was host of the statewide radio talk show AOK Primeline. He continues to live in Lexington and one of his home towns, Sarasota, Florida.

Al Smith has been honored by several groups, awarded an honorary doctorate by Cumberland College, and named to the Kentucky Journalism Hall of Fame.

Mr. Speaker, on Thursday, November 1, 2001 Logan County will honor Kentucky's most notable journalists featuring Al Smith and those he has been a mentor to including The Courier Journal's Al Cross who is now national president of the Society of Professional Journalists; Larry Craig, President of the Kentucky Press Association and a Hall of Fame journalist; his daughter Catherine Hancock, who became a reporter for the Tennessean before going to law school; and News-Democrat & Leader Editor Jim Turner, who has won over 62 awards in the journalism profession.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 1, 2001

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, I inadvertently did not vote on Roll Call #414 during its vote series yesterday. Had I voted, I would have voted "yes."

Mr. Speaker, I ask that this statement be inserted in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD at the appropriate place.

TRIBUTE TO LORRAINE C. HORN ON BEING AWARDED THE 2001 ST. MADELEINE SOPHIE BARAT AWARD

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 1, 2001

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Lorraine C. Horn, a distinguished citizen and resident of San Mateo County, who is being honored on November 6, 2001, by the Sacred Heart Schools of Atherton, California, with the 2001 St. Madeleine Sophie Barat Award.

An alumna of Sacred Heart School, Atherton, and San Francisco State University, Lorraine Horn served as Chair of the Board of Trustees of Sacred Heart School, Atherton from 1987 until 1991. In 1998, she gave generously of her time and talents to the Sacred Heart community as Chair of the yearlong centennial celebration of the School's founding. Lorraine is an active and vital participant in numerous community service projects, including the Peninsula Bridge Program, Families in Transition and the Peninsula Auxiliary of the Medical Mission Sisters. Lorraine Horn is passionately committed to education. She is the devoted mother of three and the doting grandmother of two. Lorraine and her husband Albert have earned well-deserved reputations

as outstanding volunteers and philanthropists within our community.

Mr. Speaker, it is a great privilege to honor Lorraine C. Horn as she receives the 2001 St. Madeleine Sophie Barat Award. I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting her and thanking her for her extraordinary service to our community and our country.

RAINBOWS FOR ALL CHILDREN— GUAM

HON. ROBERT A. UNDERWOOD

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 1, 2001

Mr. UNDERWOOD. Mr. Speaker, grieving is a natural process brought about by emotional loss. Unexpressed grief usually takes its toll with problems surfacing in a person's behavior, academic performance, as well as his or her physical and emotional condition. It is for this reason that an international not-for-profit organization was instituted to offer training and curricula for establishing a peer support group for children and adults who are undergoing painful transitions in their family life. Rainbows For All Children has helped guide individuals through the initial feelings of hurt towards a stage of healing in order to foster a feeling of hope. The objective of this program is to furnish participants with an understanding of their new family unit, to assist in building a stronger sense of self-esteem and to direct them towards a healthy resolution of the changes that have taken place in their personal lives.

For the past thirteen years, the organization's local chapter, Rainbows For All Children—Guam, has been able to help thousands of children, youth, and adults in my home island of Guam. Throughout this period, the chapter's director, Mrs. Marie Virata Holloran, a registered nurse, has trained over four hundred volunteers assigned to Guam's public schools.

The individual problems encountered by the volunteers usually stem from a difficult transition in life caused by the loss of a loved one caused by a wide range of situations such as death, divorce, separation, abandonment, incarceration, illnesses and accidents. Administered free of charge, the program consists of fourteen to eighteen week sessions gradually guiding individuals through the process of grief and loss.

Through lean times caused by lack of funding, the Rainbows organization managed to carry on their admirable work. As the group mainly relies upon privately donated funds and volunteer service, the list of coordinators and facilitators oftentimes fluctuates. At present time 250 committed and caring Rainbow volunteers donate their time to help grieving children on Guam. In the past year alone, Rainbows has helped 880 children from thirteen public schools.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the Guam Chapter of Rainbows For All Children. I commend them for excellent work and their contributions to our island. I would like to submit for the RECORD, the names of Certified Site Coordinators currently involved with Rainbows in Guam's public schools.

RAINBOWS FOR ALL CHILDREN—GUAM

Marie Virata Holloran, RN, Registered Rainbows Local Director, Elaine Eclavea, Early Intervention System.

Certified Site Coordinators: Annie Arevalo, Tamuning Elementary School; Rosie Sgambelluri, Lyndon B. Johnson Elementary School; Hernalin Analista, Harry Truman Elementary School; Regina Ragan, Agueda Johnston Middle School; Alma Neglerio, Marcial A. Sablan (Agat) Elementary School; Anna Marie Tores, Ordot Chalan Pago Elementary School; Frank Meno, F.B. Leon Guerrero Middle School; (Yigo) Tess Borja, Upi Elementary School; Marie Salas, Agana Heights Elementary School; Cathy Escalera, M.U. Lujan Elementary School; Nichol Tanaka Napoleon, Carbullido Elementary School; Amy Leddy, Wettengel Elementary School; Josepha Lizama, Mt. Santa Rosa Elementary School; Diana Dungca, Astumbo Elementary School; Debbie Abrenica, J.Q. San Miguel Elementary School and Michelle dela Rosa, George Washington High School.

RECOGNIZING JIM GALLAGHER
FOR OUTSTANDING PUBLIC
SERVICE

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 1, 2001

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, we rise today to recognize Jim Gallagher, who is retiring after 33 years of public service with the Sonoma County Assessor's Office.

Mr. Gallagher joined the Assessor's Office in May of 1968. After fully familiarizing himself with every aspect of the office, he ran for County Assessor in 1986. He did such an outstanding job during his first term in office that he ran unopposed in 1990, 1994 and 1998.

During his tenure as County Assessor, the office graduated from manual processing of documents to electronic processing. Through his leadership, he ensured that the department was always on the leading edge of electronic technology.

He and his staff created a public service program that earned them the reputation as "Being the Exception to the Public's Perception of Government Service."

In addition to his duties as County Assessor, Mr. Gallagher has been an active participant in a multitude of community organizations, including the Sonoma County Foster Parents Association, the Sonoma County Mental Health Organization, the Catholic Youth Organization, the Santa Rosa Democratic Club, the Young Men's Institute, the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce, the Sonoma County Real Estate Appraisers Association, the California Assessors Association and the Knights of Columbus, among others.

Mr. Gallagher is the proud father of Theresa, Heidi, Jeanne-Marie and Brian and the grandfather of Todd and Trevor.

Mr. Speaker, because of Jim Gallagher's innovative approach to county government, his many contributions to his community and his devotion to his family, it is appropriate that we honor him today.

HONORING THE AMERICAN LUNG
ASSOCIATION'S HEALTH ADVO-
CATES OF THE YEAR

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 1, 2001

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the American Lung Association of Michigan-Genesee Valley Region's 2001 Health Advocate of the Year honorees. The awards will be presented to the Corporate Health Advocate and the Individual Health Advocate at a banquet to be held on November 7th.

McLaren Health Care Corporation is the recipient of the Corporate Health Advocate Award. In addition to being recognized in the Top 10 integrated health networks in the United States by Modern Healthcare Magazine, McLaren's Pulmonary Rehabilitation Program was the first in Michigan to be accredited by the American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation.

The Pulmonary Program is part of a five year National Emphysema Therapy Trial through the University of Michigan, studying the surgical benefits of Lung Volume Reduction surgery for emphysema. Concurrently, the McLaren Pulmonary Program partners with several lung transplant programs to provide pre and postoperative care to transplant patients.

McLaren's community involvement encompasses their participation in a mini-grant program to teach youngsters about the dangers of smoking, participating in the Freedom from Smoking classes sponsored by the American Lung Association, working with the American Lung Association of Michigan Asthma Committee, the SMART Coalition, the Greater Flint Health Coalition, Open Airways for Schools, Kids on the Block, and a having a representative on the American Lung Association of Michigan Regional Board of Directors.

Dr. Cory Cookingham is the recipient of the Individual Health Advocate of the Year Award. Dr. Cookingham met the criteria to be honored with this award by his continued involvement and advocacy for health lung issues.

After graduating from medical school in 1953, Dr. Cookingham served internships and residencies in Hawaii, Flint and Ann Arbor. In 1958 he completed an allergy residency and went on to found the Allergy Clinic at Mott Children's Health Center. He continued his work at Mott Children's Health Center for several years until he entered private practice in 1961. During this time he was the Allergy Fellow at the University of Michigan Hospital as an instructor in the Department of Pediatrics.

In 1963 Dr. Cookingham started the first Smoking Withdrawal Clinic. Since that time, he has been certified by the Pediatric Allergy Board, and the American Board of Allergy and Immunology. He has served as the President of the Genesee Valley Lung Association, the Director of the Michigan Lung Association, the President of the Flint Rotary Club, a Clinical Associate Professor at the Department of Pediatrics and Human Development—Michigan State University and as a Clinical Professor with the same school.

Dr. Cookingham has published several articles and professional papers during his medical career. He has expanded his private prac-

tice and now serves patients in four locations, Flint, Clarkston, Frankenmuth and Port Huron. He has worked tirelessly to promote better care for patients with compromised pulmonary function. His advocacy on behalf of his patients has sensitized many to the need for preventive care and an improved environment.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me today in honoring both McLaren Health Care Corporation and Dr. Cory Cookingham along with the American Lung Association. We owe them a debt of gratitude for the tremendous work they perform every day improving the quality of life for all Americans.

HONORING MS. JANE TEMOSHOK
FOR HER PARTICIPATION IN THE
NOAA/NSF TEACHER AT SEA
PROGRAM

HON. JAMES P. MORAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 1, 2001

Mr. MORAN of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Jane Temoshok for her successful completion of the NOAA/NSF Teacher at Sea program.

As a resident of Alexandria, Ms. Temoshok has made everyone in the Eighth District proud of her achievement as one of two teachers nationwide to be chosen for this program. Ms. Temoshok, a science teacher at Lyles-Crouch Elementary in Alexandria, left on October 2nd from Huatulco, Mexico flying aboard the NSF C-130, a research plane, heading for the Galapagos Islands. There she joined the EPIC Research Cruise to Arica, Chile aboard the vessel the RON BROWN. She returned to Washington, DC on October 27th.

Ms. Temoshok's purpose during her voyage revolved around interviewing scientists and interpreting their research in a way that can be understood by students. From her findings she constructed lesson plans for her pupils. Ms. Temoshok continued to instruct her students during the trip via the Internet, posting daily photos, journal writings and a questions and answers forum.

The NOAA/NSF Teacher at Sea program has afforded Ms. Temoshok an unparalleled opportunity to provide her students with a hands on education, grounded in her unique experience. The lessons learned on the NSF C-130 and the RON BROWN will stay with Ms. Temoshok for the rest of her teaching career, acting as an inspiration from which she will always be able to draw strength and creativity.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 2590,
TREASURY AND GENERAL GOV-
ERNMENT APPROPRIATION ACT,
2001

SPEECH OF

HON. SHEILA JACKSON-LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 31, 2001

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise this morning to express my support of the Treasury Postal Appropriations Conference Report, but would like to note several exceptions.