

HONORING MR. KIRK LOGGINS OF NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE TENNESSEAN

**HON. BOB CLEMENT**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2002*

Mr. CLEMENT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Kirk Loggins of Nashville, Tennessee on the occasion of his retirement from the Tennessean newspaper where he covered government, politics, and the court system for nearly thirty years.

Kirk Loggins was born in Jackson Clinic in Dickson, Tennessee on October 20, 1946. A native of Middle Tennessee, he grew up on a farm near Charlotte, Tennessee, where his family had lived since the 1830s. Growing up, he regularly worked on the farm, milking cows, helping with the tobacco crop, while longing to experience city life.

An early achiever, he graduated valedictorian of Charlotte High School in 1964, where he also served as editor of the school newspaper. His early involvement in journalism helped land him a summer job at the Dickson County Herald newspaper prior to entering Vanderbilt University in the fall of 1964. Loggins attended Vanderbilt as a Rockefeller Foundation Scholar and spent the summer of 1966 working in Washington, D.C., as an intern at the U.S. Office of Education.

Graduating from Vanderbilt in June 1968 with a major in English and a minor in History, he went to work just three days later as associate editor of the Dickson County Herald. In fact, his first day on the job was the morning after Robert Kennedy was assassinated in Los Angeles. During his four years at the Dickson County weekly paper, he earned the Tennessee Press Association's Most Improved Award two consecutive years.

His experience led to a position at the Tennessean, where he was originally assigned to the state desk for the first three years at the paper. From 1975–1976 he served as the Washington correspondent, but returned to cover the local court system in December 1976. He has covered the courts continuously since that time, with the exception of a year-long break to investigate the Ku Klux Klan in 1979–1980, and for a National Endowment for the Humanities fellowship at the University of Michigan in 1982–1983.

Loggins has covered literally hundreds of criminal trials, including 15 death penalty cases, and witnessed Tennessee's first execution of a prisoner in 40 years, in April 2000. Beloved by his colleagues and his rivals alike, he has been honored for his work by the Nashville Bar Association and the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

On a personal note, I will always appreciate the professionalism he exhibited in his reporting of the death and trial of my former Chief of Staff, Alex Haught, who was killed by a drunk driver in Nashville three years ago. Loggins is an outstanding journalist who serves the profession nobly and accurately. His work will be missed by thousands of readers and we wish him the very best in his retirement and all of his future endeavors.

A TRIBUTE TO BYRON R. WHITE

**HON. DIANA DeGETTE**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2002*

Ms. DeGETTE. Mr. Speaker, it is with profound sadness that I rise today to recognize the life and contributions of Byron "Whizzer" White, one of Colorado's most renowned and admirable native sons. Retired Supreme Court Justice White died on Monday, April 15, at the age of 84, of complications with pneumonia. We have not only lost this honorable and esteemed man, we have also lost the last living former Supreme Court Justice. I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to his dedication to our country and his remarkable achievements before this body of Congress and this nation.

White was born in Fort Collins, Colorado in 1917, raised in the nearby town of Wellington. White excelled at every aspiration and accomplished everything he attempted. Valedictorian of his high school and University of Colorado class, White continued to become a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford university. He completed his legal studies at Yale Law School after serving our country in World War II. "Whizzer" White was also a legendary All-America football player at University of Colorado and played for the NFL with the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Detroit Lions.

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy appointed White to the Supreme Court of the United States. The new justice joined the Court just as it neared the height of its liberal and activist period. White quickly evolved into a conservative jurist with a strong independent streak, dissenting from many of the court's liberal rulings of the 1960's. Yet he was a strong proponent of civil rights for racial minorities. In 1961, White served to protect the "Freedom Riders", the young civil-rights activists trying to integrate the interstate bus system over the objection of Alabama's all-white power structure. White served a remarkable 31 years on the Supreme Court as a loyal and devoted Democrat before retiring in 1993.

Mr. Speaker, Byron R. White was a distinguished jurist who served his country with the utmost honor and dedication. The "Whizzer" remains a celebrated figure and a Colorado native son we are very proud to claim as one of our own. His exceptional brains, athleticism, and esteemed character and devotion to justice will continue to live on through the lives of those he has touched. I would like to extend my deepest sympathies to White's family and friends during this difficult time of remembrance and bereavement.

BEGINNING A SERIES OF ENERGY REMARKS, CALLS FOR USE OF ALL ENERGY SOURCES

**HON. RALPH M. HALL**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2002*

Mr. HALL of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to begin a series of remarks on energy. Once again, the uncertainties in the Middle East have caused prices in oil markets to rise, and from what we read in the news, the cur-

rent uncertainty is unfortunately likely to last for quite some time.

My goal with this series is simple: to impress upon my colleagues the need to develop a national energy policy. And that policy should include all of our resources—fossil fuels, nuclear, renewables and, yes, conservation. We need them all.

In this country we are blessed with an abundance of energy choices. We have abundant coal resources—in fact some of the largest in the world. We have tremendous potential for the development of solar and wind resources. And even though for many years we have produced huge volumes of crude oil and natural gas—even supplied some of the world with it at times—we still have significant oil and gas resources in the ground.

Much of the rest of the world is envious of our energy resources and the choices we have. In the coming days and weeks, I will address some of those options and what we can do to bring those options into reality.

CONGRATULATING JUAN ARAMBULA

**HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2002*

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Fresno County Supervisor Juan Arambula for receiving the 2002 Rose Ann Vuich Ethical Leadership Award. He was recognized April 17, 2002, at a luncheon reception.

Mr. Arambula has been dedicated to community service in Fresno for over ten years; he was first elected to public office in 1990. Juan is a former president of Fresno Unified School District's board of trustees, and has also served on the California School Boards Association's board of directors. This is Juan's second term on the Fresno County Board of Supervisors; he was first elected in 1997. Mr. Arambula has earned the respect of his colleagues through his many endeavors and is very deserving of this prestigious award.

The Rose Ann Vuich Award is sponsored by the Fresno Business Council, the Fresno Bee, and the Kenneth L. Maddy Institute of Public Affairs. The award honors former State Senator Vuich, who consistently maintained high ethical standards and earned bipartisan respect throughout her career in the State legislature. The award aims to recognize elected leaders who symbolize integrity, strength of character, and exemplary ethical behavior.

HONORING BOB BYNUM FOR 28 YEARS OF SERVICE

**HON. TOM DAVIS**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2002*

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to honor a friend of Northern Virginia, Mr. Bob Bynum, who is being recognized for his 28 years of volunteer service to the Mason District Little League at the League's Opening Day Ceremony on April 20, 2002 in Fairfax, Virginia.

Mr. Bynum has dedicated himself to making our community a better place. Beginning in the late 50s when he played baseball for the Bailey's Crossroads Little League, Mr. Bynum has devoted years to making Little League a strong, positive institution for the children of Northern Virginia.

In the late 70s, Mr. Bynum coached his first baseball team for children between the ages of 10 and 12, and has continued this service for 28 years, coaching hundreds of children in the Mason District Little League. While off the field, Mr. Bynum ran three golf tournaments to raise needed funds to build batting cages that can be seen on the Parklawn Park fields on Lincoln Road, as well as to purchase a lighted scoreboard dedicated at last year's Opening Day Ceremonies on the fields of Mason District Park.

In addition to his years of coaching, Mr. Bynum has served as President of the Mason District Little League, as well as several other Board positions. Despite having no children of his own, Mr. Bynum did all of this as a result of his passion for baseball, the children, and the Little League institution.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, I wish the very best to Mr. Bob Bynum as he is recognized for his years of service to the Mason District Little League. He certainly has earned his recognition, and I call upon all of my colleagues to join me in applauding this remarkable service to our community and our children.

A TRIBUTE TO SCOTT K. NIELSON  
ON HIS 80TH BIRTHDAY

**HON. BOB CLEMENT**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2002*

Mr. CLEMENT. Mr. Speaker, Scott K. Nielson was born on April 3, 1922, in Huntington, Utah. His father was Gerald W. Nielson and his mother was Lone Wakefield Nielson. Scott had three brothers, Kirk Nielson, Dick Nielson and Tom Nielson, and one sister, Jean Nielson Adamson. He married Lila H. Wilson on April 10, 1943. Scott and Lila have three sons, Scott, Jr., Mark, and Gaylan, and one daughter, Wendy Nielson. They have 12 grand and 10 great grand children.

Scott is an outstanding father, grandfather, and great grandfather. His children and their children love and respect him. He is a loving and caring father, and a wonderful role model. Because of his love and support, all of his children attended college. The three sons have graduate degrees, and are successful and productive members of the community. His daughter Wendy has a flourishing career as a systems administrator for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Scott is a veteran of World War II having served in the U.S. Army in the Pacific Theater. His unit fought in the Philippines, Guadalcanal and Luzon.

Following World War II, Scott worked as a coal miner and construction contractor. Scott, along with his father and brothers built many of the roads in Emery County, Utah and the Millers Flat Dam, a storage facility located in Huntington Canyon, Utah. During the 1950s, the Nielson men turned to mining uranium in both Utah and Colorado. In 1961, Scott moved his family to Salt Lake City, Utah. He and his

brother Kirk Nielson were service station dealers for several years. Scott and Kirk continued to work together, first in the service station and then in the remodeling business until retirement. Scott is a talented mechanic and carpenter and has continued to work part time doing home modeling up to the present time. A man who can do anything around the house, Scott is an excellent electrician, plumber, and finish carpenter who has a reputation for the quality of his workmanship—Scott is never satisfied with anything less than perfection.

Scott is an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and is currently a member of the High Priest Quorum. Church activity is a very important part of Scott's life and he and Lila, his wife of fifty-nine years, are currently serving a mission for their church in Salt Lake City.

Scott Nielson has lived a long and productive life. He is an outstanding father and role model. He will continue to be an important member of the community for many years to come. I look forward to honoring him again on his 90th and 100th Birthdays! Happy 80th Birthday Scott!

HONORING THE PIPEFITTERS  
LOCAL #208 ON THE OCCASION OF  
THEIR CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

**HON. DIANA DeGETTE**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2002*

Ms. DeGETTE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Local #208 of the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry, located in Denver, Colorado. From their formation on April 26, 1902, Local #208 has a history full of challenge, perseverance, loyalty, and ingenuity.

Before the creation of Local #208, conditions for pipefitters based in Denver were generally poor. Employment was not steady and jobs were scattered across the nation, forcing pipefitters to constantly move. However, with the increase in indoor plumbing and construction, pipefitters soon found employment in hospitals, schools, and water systems, among others.

As the number of jobs grew, so did the need for a union to protect the interests of the workers in the pipefitting industry. The national union was founded on October 7, 1889 and two of the first elected officers were from Denver.

On April 26, 2002, the Pipefitters Local #208 will have existed for 100 years. This is truly an achievement. From their beginnings in 1902, the Local has contributed to the welfare of their members, as well as the pipefitting industry. The loyalty of Local #208 to its members was demonstrated numerous times when it came to the aid of financially distressed pipefitters in Denver and across Colorado. In fact, the Local provided interest free loans to its members who were experiencing difficult times.

Local #208 also gave back to Denver and its budding pipefitters. Local #208 coordinated with other locals in the region to advocate for stronger worker protections, improvements in

health and safety, and contract agreements. Additionally, the Local created a Joint Apprenticeship Committee that provides training and accreditation of new pipefitters.

In the last 25 years, Local #208 has successfully fought for better wages and working conditions of its membership and has helped to make Denver the great city it is today. Members of Local #208 have contributed to the construction of such Denver institutions as the home of the Denver Broncos, the Denver Public Library, the Denver International Airport, and the home of the Colorado Rockies.

Over 100 years, Local #208 has thrived through perseverance, loyalty, and creativity. These are the characteristics that will allow Local #208 to last for another 100 years. I am proud to congratulate Local #208 on their first 100 years and wish them all the best in the future.

IN MEMORY OF HERMAN A. ENGEL

**HON. RALPH M. HALL**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 18, 2002*

Mr. HALL of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to honor the memory of Herman Engel of Tyler, TX, who recently passed at the age of 85. He was a war hero, pioneering oil man, and beloved community activist and father.

Herman first started in the oil industry working for Shell Oil in Houston, where he was born. After graduating from LSU with a degree in Petroleum Engineering he spent time in East Texas, Houston, and Oklahoma working for various oil companies. He moved to East Texas permanently in 1976 to run the East Texas Salt Water Disposal Company and remained active with the company even after his retirement in 1989. Prior to 1976 he had been vice president of APCO Oil Corporation and of Union Texas Petroleum, both of which were in Tulsa, OK.

As a professional he was recognized as a leader. In 1983 he was selected as a "Pioneer Engineer" by the Petroleum Landmen, Petroleum Geologists and Petroleum Engineers of East Texas. He was an Honorary Life Member of the Independent Petroleum Association of America and was a Distinguished Member of the Petroleum Engineers. He also served as vice president and director of both the Society of Petroleum Engineers and the American Institute of Mining.

Before he began his professional career, Herman served his country in the Second World War. This true American hero was an officer in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and spent 1½ years in Alaska in addition to his 2½ in the South Pacific.

While in Tyler he was an integral part of the community and played a major part in helping to make East Texas a better place for everyone. He served as a vice president and director of the Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce. He was a long-time director of East-Texas Lighthouse for the Blind, and was an active supporter of several local organizations and foundations. Among those were Louisiana State University, Tyler Junior College, and the Tyler Independent School District. He was also a devoted trustee of the Watson W. Wise Foundation.

In passing, Mr. Engel leaves behind two daughters Dee Landers and Alice Beam; a