

the Fine Arts Fund, where she was elected a Life Trustee last year.

Mr. Speaker, I hope my colleagues will join me in recognizing Susan's many accomplishments as she steps down as Vice President for Public Affairs at the Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce on June 13, 2003. I know Susan will continue to make a difference in our community. All of us in the Cincinnati area thank her for her dedication to improving our community and wish her the very best in her future endeavors.

HONORING ANDREW T. RINGGOLD

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 11, 2003

Mrs. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Andrew T. Ringgold, Superintendent, Redwood National and State Parks, Crescent City, California, who is being honored on the occasion of his retirement after 36 years with the National Park Service.

A native of Washington, D.C., Andy Ringgold grew up in Williamsburg, Virginia and received his Bachelors Degree from Bucknell University. He began his outstanding career in the National Park Service as a Park Ranger at Sequoia National Park in California in 1967. In 1972 Andy became District Ranger at Lassen Volcanic National Park and then served as Chief Ranger at Petrified Forest National Park in Arizona from 1976 to 1979. After serving as Chief Ranger at New River Gorge in West Virginia, he became Staff Park Ranger, Division of Ranger Activities at the Headquarters Office in Washington, D.C. in 1984. In 1987 Andy Ringgold served as Chief of the Branch of Resource and Visitor Protection at the Headquarters Office and then, in 1989, became Superintendent at Cape Cod National Seashore in Massachusetts. In 1995 he assumed the duties of Superintendent at Redwood National Park in California.

In 2002, Mr. Ringgold received the United States Department of the Interior Honor Award for Meritorious Service in recognition of his contributions to the management and protection of resources at Redwood National Park. He spearheaded the use of alternative methods and partnerships to achieve park goals. He has received numerous awards in recognition of his outstanding and innovative leadership.

Andrew Ringgold has guided the management of Redwood National and State Parks, which includes three California state parks and the national park as one unit, a precedent setting agreement that has evolved into a model partnership of cooperation and efficiency. It is a model that has set the standard for similar partnerships in other regions across the nation.

Andrew Ringgold has served the National Park Service with honesty, integrity and expertise. His high standards and dedication to his profession are widely recognized.

Mr. Speaker, it is appropriate at this time that we recognize Andrew T. Ringgold for his vision and leadership and for his contributions to the preservation of the natural resources of our Nation.

WOMEN PIONEERING THE FUTURE

HON. HEATHER WILSON

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 11, 2003

Mrs. WILSON of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, in honor of Women's History Month, I asked New Mexicans to send me nominations of women in New Mexico who have given special service to our community, but may have never received recognition for their good deeds.

On Thursday, April 17, 2003, I had the honor and privilege of recognizing forty-five worthy nominations describing sacrifices and contributions these women have made for our community. The people who nominated the women describe the dedication they have witnessed: volunteer hours for veterans services, service on nonprofit boards, homeless programs, mentors for young women, healthcare providers going above the call of duty, child advocates, volunteers at churches and synagogues, successful business woman, wives, mothers and friends.

Allow me to share information about this year's nominees:

Jan Dodson Barnhart—Jan recently retired as a 30 year employee of the University of New Mexico's General Library. She has worked diligently to promote historic preservation and recognition of the cultural treasures that exist in New Mexico's built environment. She served on the Governor's committee on historical records, with the Oral History Association, and with the Albuquerque Museum Foundation.

Dian Baughman—Dian is a nurse at Paloma Blanca Nursing and Rehab Center. She works numerous hours dedicating time and service to residents of the center to ensure good care and quality of life. During her off hours, she travels the state with her husband to provide medical assistance to homeless veterans during veterans functions.

Tess Ruiz Bureson—Tess is the Chief Financial Officer for Lovelace Respiratory Research and Director of Lovelace Scientific Research. She is also an active Board Member of many community organizations, such as Next Generation Economy Initiative, Behavior Health Research, Wells Fargo Leadership Council, Performance Arts Charter School, and Magnifico/Festival of Arts.

Joann Castillo—Joann is the Library Director at Carnegie Public Library in Las Vegas, NM. Joann is very involved in community activities, such as the Las Vegas San Miguel Literacy Volunteers, Communities that Care and the Las Vegas Youth Commission. She feels that these young men and women are our future and need to be active in community events also.

Alvorn Clifton—Mrs. Clifton has provided the Trumbull Village with a legacy of working for the betterment of children, families and our community. She is a leader making a difference. As the President of the Trumbull Village Neighborhood Association, she advances the lives of children through support and guidance. Each year, she hosts Halloween, Christmas and Easter parties so the neighborhood kids have a safe place to celebrate.

Leslie Cunningham-Sabo—Leslie works tirelessly as a doctor at Pediatrics Department at UNM for obesity and diabetes prevention program which works with the pueblos and the

Navajo Nation. She volunteers at Project Share, Asbury Pie Café, and for anybody that needs a helping hand.

Kathy Cyman—Kathy is an Instructor and Adjunct Faculty Member at UNM. As a teacher and practicing artist, she maintains a high standard of professionalism. She is a tireless worker and role model for women who struggle to make a living. She gives her all to her community and to aspiring educators.

Rebecca Dakota—Rebecca is the former Director of the NM Commission on the Status of Women. She is supportive of women and works diligently to address the issue of domestic violence. She has helped to make police departments around NM more aware of the problem so that training could be implemented for officers. She has worked to assist poor women with job training partnerships and scholarship assistance.

Brenda Delaurentis—Brenda is Manager of the Payroll Services and Financial Training Organization at Sandia National Labs. She has worked with "Shared Vision," spearheaded Sandia's involvement in the Science and Technology Magnet School initiative sponsored by DOE, and helped organize the first "School to World" event, a career fair targeting 8th graders. Brenda has also been a Girl Scout Leader for seven years.

Gail Doherty—Gail is the state coordinator for Project Linus, which provides handmade blankets for needy children. In her 5 years, 5000 blankets have been distributed to fire victims in Los Alamos, September 11 Pentagon families and numerous others. Each week, she visits the Senior Centers to work with the knitters and weavers to make blankets and she takes their therapy-trained dog to Carrie Tingley to visit the children.

Viola Edwards—Mrs. Edwards works tirelessly each month to provide food boxes with the Share Program for needy or low income families. Monthly, she orders 16-17 food boxes and distributes them to families that can use it. She has also collected and recycled clothing to provide for the clothing needs of children and families.

Shannon Enright Smith—As the Executive Director of Resources, Inc., Shannon has been a passionate voice for victims of domestic violence, especially for the children who witness domestic violence. In a typical day, Shannon performs duties from walking a victim through the legal system, doing interviews for local media, to testifying before the state legislature.

Deirdre Firth—Deirdre, a Senior Economic Developer for the City of Albuquerque, works tirelessly to bring economic vitality to New Mexico. She represents the City in the development of the Sandia Science and Technology Park, a public/private partnership which is bringing thousands of high-paying technology jobs to New Mexico.

Linda Flanigan—Linda has lived in Albuquerque for most of her life. She has helped teenagers with career and life decisions. She was a Brownie Troop Sponsor and she helps people recover from various addictions and through family problems through her activity and her community church.

Linda Fleisher—Linda is a Crime Free Multi-Housing Coordinator. Her inspiration and driving force were instrumental in bringing a "re-birth" to the Alta Monte Neighborhood. She has inspired many landlords to participate in the program, making great strides in improving

the quality of life for the residents of the neighborhood.

Annabell Gallegos—Annabell manages the “Keep Albuquerque Beautiful/Keep America Beautiful” program for the City of Albuquerque. The department tries to change customer behavior and get the public to “recycle” and be aware of what a clean environment means for our future. Teacher and student training, field trips and community clean-ups are just a few of Annabell’s many accomplishments.

Cindy Hansen—Cindy is the Resident Care Director at the Cottages of Albuquerque for Alzheimer’s Specialty Care. She cares and helps the families get through the “long death.” She spends what little free time she has talking to and holding the hands of residents. Her love for both the residents and their families is apparent.

Blesila Hartom—Blesila has served as a registered nurse for Presbyterian, Health South and University Hospitals for fifteen years. She is also a proud member of the Filipino-American Association, serving on several committees and participating in numerous fundraising activities. She has become a part of the Filipino Historical Society to establish a foundation that recognizes the importance of Filipino heritage.

Elizabeth Holm—Elizabeth is a computational materials scientist at Sandia National Labs. She is active in the Albuquerque Chapter of the American Society for Metals and she is a mentor of many young women in the sciences. She is very involved in the Albuquerque schools, serving as a guest science speaker, science instructor, book fair host, and debate and speech tournament judge.

Kathleen Holt—Kathleen is a Technologist in the Environmental Decisions and WIPP Support organization. As an adviser to the La Cueva Key Club, she has involved students in leadership training and strategic planning experiences as well as mentoring many of the kids. She teaches students mediation and arbitration techniques and has organized day-long experiential leadership training events for high school students.

Debbie Hughes—Debbie is the dynamic force behind the rise of the New Mexico Agricultural community to the status it is beginning to enjoy today. As Executive Director of the NM Association of Conservation Districts, she has been instrumental in bringing agricultural issues and solutions to the forefront. She has been a leader in crafting and executing this most prominent New Mexico water conservation project.

Diana Jackson—Diana is an Administrator in the Attorney General’s office and she manages her tasks with skill and grace. She is also quite active in her church, First United Methodist, taking on many volunteer efforts. Through her commitment to community and church, she has become increasingly involved in the social dilemmas confronting our society and works behind the scenes to make a difference.

Elsie Kear—Elsie came to NM as an R.N. and decided to start nursing at the OB/GYN ward at the Base Hospital (run by the Army at the time). Elsie soon became acquainted with the other 3 major hospitals in Albuquerque by becoming a “Pool Nurse.” One of her biggest challenges was flying out of the local airport, picking up patients in NM and Texas and bringing them back to the Veteran’s Hospital in Albuquerque.

Blanche Lange—Mrs. Lange served WWI, WWII, Korea, and Vietnam veterans. She also taught nursing at Einstein Medical Center, Philadelphia, and at UNM. At the age of 84, she still provides comfort and support to all who ask. She is an Associate Professor at UNM’s College of Nursing, was published in the *Journal of Nursing*, and she has received commendations from UNM, the VA, and other Veterans organizations.

Dr. Mary Lipscomb—Dr. Lipscomb is the chair of Pathology at the University of New Mexico. In addition, she is the principal investigator for a National Institutes of Health (NIH) Asthma Specialized Center of Research (SCOR) grant. She is an internationally recognized expert in pulmonary immunity who has mentored numerous students, fellows, and faculty.

Laurel Moore—Laurel Moore is the Project Manager for Strengthening Quality in Schools, an initiative that has improved the New Mexico K-12 education system. Laurel has worked tirelessly to improve New Mexico’s schools through the use of Quality principles and the Malcolm Baldrige Criteria for Performance Excellence.

Carolyn Moralez—Carolyn has been the primary caregiver for the past two and a half years for her mother who has ALS (Lou Gehrig’s Disease). This terminal illness has touched Carolyn’s life so deeply that she has dedicated herself to raising money to find a cure for the disease, building awareness, and helping other caregivers cope with the life changes this disease has on its victims and their families.

Christine Morgan—Chris is a Distinguished Member of the Technical Staff Systems in the Adaptive Cyber Systems Deployment and Control Organization at Sandia Laboratories. She is a trained facilitator; a Master Trainer for adults and girls for the Girl Scouts; member of the Board of Directors for Girl Scouts of Chaparral Council; and an advisor/leader/Assistant Scoutmaster for Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts.

Tina Nenoff—Tina is a Materials Chemist at Sandia National Laboratories. She is active in mentoring numerous students through Women in Science and Engineering at the University of New Mexico. Tina served as the past President and is currently a volunteer for the Women’s Community Association, helping women subjected to domestic violence. Tina also volunteers at St. Martin’s Hospitality Center for the homeless.

Carolyn Olona—Carolyn is one of our nursing unsung heroines. Carolyn began her nursing career as a student nurse in September 1961 and has continued to this day in various areas of nursing. Finally, she spent the last twenty one years at Sandia Laboratory as an Occupational Health Nurse. Carolyn is a highly dedicated, professional Registered Nurse. Her focus is always the welfare of the patient, above all else.

Dr. Renee Ornelas—Dr. Ornelas examines children suspected to have been sexually abused. She has been a child sex abuse expert since 1990 and uses her expertise to ensure sex offenders are convicted and the children they scar are well taken care of. Presently, Doctor Ornelas serves as the Director of Para Los Ninos, a specialized clinic which handles the medical exams for children who are victims of sexual abuse.

Georgianna Pena-Kues—Georgianna is recognized for her years of commitment to the

well-being of her neighborhood, community, and the Bataan Corrigedor Veterans Association. In addition, as a board member of the Bataan Corrigedor Veterans Association, Georgianna was instrumental in the planning, funding, and publicizing the new memorial in Bataan Park.

Wynona Ratliff—She and her late husband, Jack, were missionaries to South America for almost 20 years. In 1975, they bought Sunset Mesa Schools and turned it into one of the best private schools in New Mexico. They have been involved in a multitude of charitable and community activities including the New Mexico Boys and Girls Ranches.

Martha Romero—Martha has been nominated to be recognized as a “Hometown Hero” with KOB-TV Channel 4. She raised 9 children. She is most famous for her Annual Chili Roasting sales and the hundreds of beautiful quilts that she makes. She gives endlessly to her children, her extended family, her friends and her community.

Patsy Sanchez—Patsy serves as the Lincoln County Planning Director with tremendous responsibilities. Her greatest strength is her unwavering goal toward an accurate accounting of the water resources in the county. She urges commissioners to seek legislative allocations for water and for changing rules regarding land and water issues.

Kaye Sinclair—Kaye has held central positions in Albuquerque Radio Emergency Services, which handles all communications for any Search and Rescue emergency in the state. She has also served on the board of the Emergency Services Council, a meeting of all rescue groups in New Mexico and surrounding areas. Kaye has given at least a decade and a half to rescue and emergency service for New Mexico.

Jackie Lee Barnes Brown Soderstrom—Jackie is known for being a loving and caring person who gives of herself without asking for anything in return. She cared for her mother as she was dying and she is the caregiver to her husband. Among Jackie’s accomplishments, she was crowned Miss New Mexico in 1957 and Mrs. New Mexico in 1979.

Amy Tapia—Amy is a Program Manager in the corporate Outreach Organization at Sandia National Laboratories. As the project Leader for School to World, she led a team of business and education representatives in putting on the most successful career familiarization event in the state. Amy also developed the CroSSlinks program to match Sandia scientists, engineers and technicians with schools, teachers, and students to help them appreciate the wonders of science and technology.

Tia Turco—Tia is a teacher at La Cueva High School. She works tirelessly for the benefit of others. In addition to teaching 6 classes a day, Tia serves as the sponsor and coach of the La Cueva High School Speech and Debate team. Her responsibilities include organizing a team of over 30 members.

Jennifer Wade—Jennifer works more than full-time as an officer of a locally headquartered, publicly traded technology company, SBS Technologies. She also serves on her Church’s Council, prepares meals for the UNM Campus Ministry. Jennifer also donates her time to Project Share.

Patsy Welch—Patsy works on Kirtland Air Force Base. A few months ago, she noticed that some of the Security Force entry controllers (gate guards) didn’t have gloves on during

cold days and she felt sorry for their freezing hands. She went to Wal-Mart and bought every black pair of gloves they had and put them in her car. Now, every time she goes through the gate, if the guard doesn't have gloves, she asks if they want a pair.

Dominique Wilson—As the program coordinator for Critical Skills Development at Sandia National Laboratories, Dominique advances workforce development by merging critical skills needs of the national laboratories with the resources of APS, TVI, UNM and Sandia technical staff to create pipeline programs to benefit middle and high school students. She has established advanced learning academies for Albuquerque students, creating opportunities for post-secondary education and technical internships in math and science.

Anne Haines Yatskowitz—Anne is the President and CEO and one of the ACCION New Mexico principal founders. She served on boards of Jewish Family Services and Jewish Federation of Greater Albuquerque. She was a member of the Greater Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce Leadership Albuquerque program and she served as Chair of the Chamber's Maxie Anderson Award Selection Committee.

Elisabeth Zimmer—Elisabeth gives her time to help young pregnant girls and young mothers in Albuquerque. Following a successful career with Intel, she has done volunteer work at Maria Amadea Shelter. Last year, she started a non-profit organization to create a residential program for pregnant teens and mothers. Life Options Academy is the projected goal and it will help many young women in our community.

Lt. Katherine Zimmerman—Kate is an outstanding Air Force Officer supporting Ballistic Missile Defense development. She is the Detachment's blood drive organizer and she collected over 180 pints. She is also a Big Brother/Big Sister volunteer, and recruited 18 volunteers from UNM. Kate was the UNM Spring Storm organizer, recruiting over 700 students, faculty and alumni to perform 82 community service projects.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 11, 2003

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, on the legislative day of Thursday, June 5, 2003, the House voted on H. Res. 258 that provided for the consideration of S. 222 and S. 273. On House rollcall vote No. 245, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

A TRIBUTE TO MARA ROSKE

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 11, 2003

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Mara Roske in recognition of her dedication to improving her community through both her professional and personal endeavors.

The youngest of four children, Mara was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York. She is

married and the mother of one daughter. Her interests include sewing, gardening, and cooking. Growing vegetables in her yard to use in her Southern European cuisine makes Sundays at her home a popular place for friends and family.

Mara joined the New York City Police Department in 1987, and the following year she was assigned to the 75th Precinct in East New York. She patrolled the area for ten years before entering the Anti-Crime plain clothes unit. During this time, her lieutenant noticed that she had a flair for calming certain situations and a sincere interest in community relations. It was suggested that Mara join community affairs. She is currently serving East New York in this capacity.

Mara is also active in various advisory boards and community projects. She has been instrumental in closing the gap that often exists between the community and the police. She encourages her fellow officers to become more involved and concerned with community issues in the area in which they serve.

Mr. Speaker, Mara Roske is committed to making a positive difference in her community. As such, she is more than worthy of receiving our recognition today and I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring this truly remarkable person.

HONORING CLARA CORRIN FOR 29 YEARS OF TEACHING REDLANDS SCHOOLCHILDREN

HON. JERRY LEWIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 11, 2003

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I would like today to pay a special tribute to a very special teacher, Clara Corrin, who is retiring after 48 years in education—including 3 decades molding thousands of fourth graders into knowledgeable and confident youngsters at Kimberly Elementary School in my hometown of Redlands.

Clara Corrin got her start working with children even before she finished her own education, starting in 1955 as a nursery school teacher in Orange, NJ. She taught at a number of nursery schools and eventually became assistant director of the Head Start program in Springfield, MA.

Showing a lifelong dedication to improving her teaching expertise, Mrs. Corrin earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education in 1970, and went on to get her Masters of Arts in Education in 1976. She has continued her training with an administrative credential in 1977 and received a Mott Fellowship for studies in Educational Counseling at the University of Redlands.

A generation of fourth graders has now benefited from that expertise at Kimberly Elementary. Mrs. Corrin began her career with Redlands Unified as a substitute in 1972, and began full time the next year. In recent years, many of her former students, who have gone on to become doctors, lawyers, teachers and successful business owners, have been delighted to find that their own children are also in Mrs. Corrin's classroom and capable hands.

Her dedication led to a nomination for Teacher of the Year for the Redlands Unified School District in 1993, and she was ap-

pointed Summer School principal at Cram School in Redlands. Going beyond the classroom, Mrs. Corrin coordinated the district's "Here's Looking at You 2000" drug abuse prevention program, and has been an active member in the Redlands Teachers' Association and the State teachers association. She is also active in the Phi Delta Kappa and Pi Lambda Theta teachers' sororities.

Outside of the school, Mrs. Corrin has served as chapter president for the California Association of Neurologically Handicapped Children, and has been a board member for the Redlands Valley Rehabilitation Workshop. She is an active member of The Links, Incorporated and raised more than \$19,000 for scholarships awarded by the San Bernardino Valley Chapter.

Mr. Speaker, the thousands of students who passed through Clara Corrin's door learned well the motto posted there: "Enter to Learn, Exit to Lead." Please join me in congratulating this exemplary leader of youth for a lifetime of public service, and wish her well in her well-deserved retirement.

INTRODUCTION OF THE INDIAN HEALTH CARE IMPROVEMENT ACT REAUTHORIZATION IN FY 2003

HON. DON YOUNG

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 11, 2003

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce amendments to the Indian Health Care Improvement Act. I am pleased to be joined in the co-sponsorship of this measure by both Republican and Democratic members of the U.S. House of Representatives.

The Indian Health Care Improvement Act (IHCA) became Public Law 94-437 in the 94th Congress (September 30, 1976), and was amended by:

P.L. 96-537—December 17, 1980;
P.L. 100-579—October 31, 1988;
P.L. 100-690—November 18, 1988;
P.L. 100-713—November 23, 1988;
P.L. 101-630—November 28, 1990;
P.L. 102-573—October 29, 1992; and
P.L. 104-313—October 19, 1996.

The purpose of the Act is to implement the Federal responsibility for the care and education of the Indian people by improving the services and facilities of Federal Indian health programs and encouraging the maximum participation of American Indians and Alaska Natives in such programs, and other purposes.

The IHCA provides for health care delivery to over 2 million American Indians and Alaska Natives. Congress enacted a one-year extension to extend the life of the Act through FY 2001 but efforts at further extensions were interrupted due to 9/11/01 events. Appropriations for Indian health have continued through authorization of the Snyder Act, a permanent law authorizing expenditures of funds for a variety of Indian programs, including health. For FY 2003, Congress appropriated \$2.9 billion to help provide health care services to American Indians and Alaska Natives. The IHCA requires Reauthorization this year.

Since 1998, the Indian Health Service (IHS) started the reauthorization process under the IHS's Tribal Consultation Policy by conveying