

this award-winning Night Out. They won "First Place" from 1999 and 2001 for the town's Night Out activities as the best in the Northeastern United States for towns with a population under 30,000.

Mr. Speaker, the first National Night Out in Dunmore was a 1-day festival in 1996 where there were just six block parties held. This year, it grew to 20 block parties, a parade, a safety fair and a cookout. Dunmore earned rookie honors in 1996. Its National Night Out has been growing ever since, and the borough prides itself on this 3-day event.

The event has been so successful, the city of Scranton and the Borough of Throop got their advice and held successful events as well. This year marked the 20th anniversary of National Night Out. The first year, 400 communities from 23 States took part. This year, 10,000 communities from all 50 States were involved. More than 34 million people participated.

Mr. Speaker, it is a privilege and honor to represent citizens of the Borough of Dunmore who have shown such a commitment to their community and have been justly recognized nationally for their involvement and spirit.

TRIBUTE TO DETECTIVE  
LIEUTENANT GALVANN R. SMITH

HON. DAVE CAMP

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 14, 2003*

Mr. CAMP. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Detective Lieutenant Galvann R. Smith for his faithful service of 25 years to the Michigan Department of State Police.

Galvann began his career in 1978 with the Michigan Department of State Police as a Trooper at the Michigan State Police Bridgeport Post. In 1989 he was reassigned to the Michigan State Police Bridgeport Laboratory Latent Print Unit. In 1998 he was promoted to Detective Lieutenant, where he served as the supervisor of the Latent Print Unit. Galvann has been honored with several awards, including the Michigan State Police Award for Professional Excellence, Michigan State Police Unit Citation for Professional Excellence, Exchange Club of Saginaw's Officer of the Year 1998 and 2003, and numerous letters of appreciation from police agencies, prosecutors and civilian groups. Galvann Smith will be greatly missed by his co-workers, and greatly appreciated by the citizens of Michigan.

I am honored today to recognize Detective Lieutenant Galvann R. Smith for his auspicious dedication to serving the State of Michigan.

TRIBUTE TO COMPEER

HON. LOUISE McINTOSH SLAUGHTER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 14, 2003*

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize a dual milestone in the history of Compeer, Inc., an outstanding organization based in my district of Rochester, NY. Compeer was founded to foster friendships between its caring volunteers with adults and

children with mental illness. Since its establishment, Compeer has mushroomed into an international program with chapters in 100 cities, 30 States, Canada, and Australia. This year marks the 30th anniversary of Compeer's founding in Rochester, its 20th anniversary of operations across the Nation.

Individuals with mental illness often face a daunting array of challenges. In addition to their diagnosis, they may be faced with difficulties in finding or keeping employment opportunities, housing, and other basic necessities. Too many lack a support network of family and friends to buoy them during tough times. Compeer helps to fill that gap by enabling friendships to form and grow. Isolation and loneliness often accompany mental illness, but they do not have to be inevitable.

Compeer has enabled hundreds of people to live independently as mentally and emotionally healthy individuals. Under the Compeer model, patients, volunteers, therapists, and staff work together to promote the total health of a client. In an era of rising health costs, Compeer provides an affordable, effective method of improving the quality of life for individuals battling mental illness.

The Compeer program has been replicated many times across the Nation, and has received numerous awards, including being named a model program by the National Institutes of Health in 1982. In 1999, executive director Bernice Skirboll represented Compeer at the landmark White House Conference on Mental Health, where the program was praised.

Indeed, no tribute to Compeer would be complete without acknowledging the unparalleled devotion of CEO and Founder Bernice Skirboll. Bernice, or "Bunny" to the many who know and love her, has been the driving force behind Compeer's success. Her tenacity, compassion, and commitment to individuals with mental illness are legendary. Her great legacy will be the continuation of Compeer's good work for decades to come.

Compeer staff and volunteers should take great pride in the knowledge that they have made a difference. Through their selfless work, they have shown that the power of love and friendship can triumph over loneliness, isolation, and mental illness.

I invite my colleagues to join me in celebrating the 30th anniversary of Compeer, Inc., and in honoring the volunteers, therapists, and staff of Compeer for their concern, compassion, and tireless efforts.

TRIBUTE TO MARJORIE BILLER  
GREEN

HON. HENRY A. WAXMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 14, 2003*

Mr. WAXMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with my colleague, Mr. BERMAN, to pay tribute to our good friend Marjorie Biller Green who is retiring after 16 years as the Director of Educational Policy and Programs for the Anti-Defamation League (ADL). Marjorie's strong leadership and vision have played a vital role in furthering ADL's mission and we are grateful for all she has done.

Prior to joining the ADL, Marjorie enjoyed a long and successful career in education. She

served as the Executive Director for the California Coalition for Public Education, the Coordinator for the Wilshire Community Educational Complex of the Los Angeles Unified School District, the Community Liaison for the Integration Team of the Los Angeles Unified School District and as an Educational Consultant for the Rand Corporation.

All of this experience helped make her an incredibly effective Director of ADL's Educational Policy Programs—the position she has held since 1987. However, it was her passion, creativity, and dedication that made her a great leader. As Director of Education Policy and Programs and as Assistant Director of ADL's National A World of Difference Institute, Marjorie proved that with the right combination of innovation, collaboration, and commitment one person can make a tremendous positive impact.

During Marjorie's tenure with ADL, she helped schools promote religious diversity; publishers improve textbooks to promote Jews and other minorities accurately and without stereotypes; educators, here and in Israel, foster skills to combat bigotry; parents and educators learn how to help children cope with traumatic events such as 9/11; the Shoah Visual Historical Foundation develop a Holocaust education curriculum; and teens recognize the common humanity of all people through programs such as the Children of the Dream Program. These are but a few of her many impressive accomplishments. She will be missed at the ADL and by our entire community.

Mr. Speaker, we invite our colleagues to join us in thanking Marjorie Green for her exemplary contributions to the Anti-Defamation League and to wish her continued success in all her future endeavors.

ON THE OCCASION OF MOTHER  
TERESA'S BEATIFICATION

HON. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, October 14, 2003*

Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, on October 19, 2003, Mother Teresa will be beatified by Pope John Paul II. In the Catholic canonization process, beatification is the last step before sainthood. This step formalizes what much of the world has known for years: That Mother Teresa selflessly gave her life, her energy, and her love to those most in need.

The name Mother Teresa has become synonymous with charity and commitment to the poor the world over. Born in 1910 in Albania to middle class parents, Mother Teresa realized early on that she would dedicate her life to serving God and her fellow man. She joined the Loreto Sisters of Dublin, Ireland and trained to be a teacher. She taught History and Geography in Calcutta, India for 15 years.

Though she loved teaching, Mother Teresa felt she was destined for a different calling. With the blessing of Pope Pius XII, Mother Teresa began serving the poor and neglected in the slums of Calcutta, India. She taught the illiterate children of the area to read and write, but soon realized that her energies were desperately needed elsewhere. With so many homeless people dying in filth and indignity, she put her efforts toward caring for the poor

and afflicted of the community, many of whom were near death. She took in the patients that nobody else wanted. Mother Teresa cared for and loved people dying of leprosy, AIDS, cancer, and many other deadly diseases. She brought comfort and human dignity to the final weeks, days, and hours of so many suffering people.

Mother Teresa found her true calling in helping the poorest of the poor. She loved the people that no one else would love. People with no families, no homes, no access to medical care, and no place to go to die in peace, with dignity.

In 1950, Mother Teresa started her own Order, the Missionaries of Charity. The goal of Missionaries of Charity is to look after those who have no one to love and care for them. The Missionaries of Charity now have thousands of nuns serving the poor in 125 countries around the world. This is truly a remarkable legacy.

Mother Teresa has been recognized internationally for her contributions to humanity. She received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979 and the Congressional Gold Medal, one of our country's highest honors, in 1997.

After Mother Teresa's death in 1997, Pope John Paul II waived the customary five-year waiting period to begin the process of her becoming a saint. This unprecedented consideration for this well-deserved honor confirms the importance and greatness of Mother Teresa.

Mother Teresa once said, "I slept and I dreamed that life is all joy. I woke and I saw that life is all service. I served and I saw that service is joy." Mother Teresa serves as a shining example of the profound impact one person can have in the world. She is a model for selflessness and eternal optimism. Mother Teresa is a role model and a hero to us all.