

JAG Corps officer. As a veteran, he has continued to assist veterans.

In 2000, UC Hastings opened the Cotchett Center for Advocacy recognizing Joe as one of its outstanding graduates. In 2004, Cotchett endowed a \$7 million fund to support science and mathematics teacher education at California State Polytechnic University to serve inner-city and rural minority children. To honor Joe, Cal Poly renamed its landmark Clock Tower the Cotchett Education Building. In 2006, the Joseph W. Cotchett Business Studio for students was dedicated at Notre Dame de Namur University.

Congratulations to Joe Cotchett for being named Santa Clara University's Distinguished Advocate for 2007. This is a worthy addition to a very long list of accomplishments.●

TRIBUTE TO CAPTAIN RAYMOND GERALD MURPHY

• Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, it is with a sad heart that I come to the floor today and honor my good friend Raymond Gerald Murphy. Jerry Murphy died last Friday at the age of 77. A burial with full military honors is planned for Santa Fe National Cemetery this week.

CPT Jerry Murphy was the 39th U.S. marine to be awarded the Medal of Honor for heroism in the Korean war. He was decorated by President Dwight Eisenhower in a White House ceremony in 1953. In addition to the Medal of Honor, Captain Murphy was also awarded the Silver Star, the Purple Heart, the Korean Service Medal with two bronze stars, the United Nations Service Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal. Jerry Murphy was a hero in every sense of the word.

What really made Jerry special though was his service to others. When he returned from Korea, he dedicated his entire life to taking care of other veterans. He spent 23 years working in the Albuquerque VA Regional Office. Upon his retirement, he continued to serve veterans as a volunteer until he became too sick to do so. Earlier this year, Senator BINGAMAN and I introduced a bill to rename the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Albuquerque, as the "Raymond G. Murphy Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center." I am very sad this was not completed before Jerry died, but I hope it will be completed soon.

In addition to all of Jerry's military honors, he was also a family man. Jerry is survived by his wife Maryann, his sons John, Michael, and Tim, his daughter Eleanor, as well as eight grandchildren. My thoughts and prayers are with the Murphy family this week; I know they are proud of what Jerry accomplished in his lifetime.

Jerry Murphy was a close friend, and I will miss him greatly. I always valued his friendship and advice. Godspeed, amigo. You touched many lives and helped many people. Your legacy will not soon be forgotten.●

• Mr. ALLARD. Mr. President, I wish today to commemorate the life of retired Marine Captain Raymond Gerald Murphy. Captain Murphy passed away on April 6, 2007, but left behind a legacy that will not soon be forgotten. His legacy of courage, valor, and commitment to his country will forever remain a part of the history and heart of the United States.

Captain Murphy was born and raised in Pueblo, CO. After graduating from Adams State College, he selflessly volunteered for the U.S. Marine Corps and was sent to officer training school. At only 23 years old, 2nd Lieutenant Murphy led a Marine platoon to perform an evacuation mission in the hills of South Korea after U.S. troops had sustained months of heavy mortar attack from enemy forces. Lieutenant Murphy bravely commanded a small group of men up the hill to survey the situation. Met by intense enemy fire, Lieutenant Murphy pressed on to rescue wounded and killed marines, while continuing to support combat platoons. Realizing that all platoon commanders had been either killed or severely wounded, Murphy found himself in charge of the attack and began reorganizing his men. Murphy ordered his men to carry the wounded back down the hill for medical attention, and carried many men on his own back.

Having sustained a wound to his left side, and shot through his right hand, Murphy refused medical help until all of his men were brought to safety. Wounded, he continued to go back up the hill, facing continued enemy fire, until every injured and fallen marine was carried back down. As the last man down the hill, Lieutenant Murphy left not a single man on that shattered hillside in South Korea.

On October 27, 1953, President Dwight D. Eisenhower bestowed upon Lieutenant Murphy the Medal of Honor, the highest award for his courage and heroic action during the Korean War. Lieutenant Murphy's Medal of Honor citation reads, "His resolute and inspiring leadership, exceptional fortitude and great personal valor reflect the highest credit upon Second Lieutenant Murphy and enhance the finest traditions of the United States Naval Service." I believe this encapsulates the essence of his service and patriotism as a U.S. marine.

I am honored to stand before the Senate today to pay tribute to the life and service of CPT Raymond Murphy. I would like to offer my condolences to his wife Marry Ann and his four children. His family has lost a husband and a father, and this Nation has lost a truly noble man, but may his gallantry and heroism be memorialized forever in the freedoms of this great country.●

100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF RUNNING N CATTLE COMPANY

• Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, today I recognize the Running N Cattle Company of Kenna, NM, that is currently

celebrating its centennial year of operation. The Running N Cattle Company's 100th anniversary date was in May of 2006.

The Running N Cattle Company is a family owned partnership that began in 1906. William H. Cooper and his wife Elizabeth left Hopkins County in east Texas, with their five grown children, to acquire free land through the Homestead Act in New Mexico. The act promised 160 acres of land for each adult and an abundant supply of water. All seven members of the Cooper family made their claim on 160 acres, just north and east of what is now the small village of Kenna, NM. William and Elizabeth settled, making Kenna their home. Out of their five children, Joseph "Joe" Cooper was the only child who remained at the original homestead.

In 1909 Joe moved back to East Texas to marry his high school sweetheart, Gertrude Jackson. Shortly after, they traveled by train back to the homestead at Kenna where they continued ranching and began raising a family. Joe eventually purchased the pieces of land his brothers and sisters had claimed in 1906. Although Joe ran both sheep and cattle on his land, he eventually made the decision that he wanted to concentrate all his efforts on raising cattle. Joe and Gertrude had four children; Lewis Cranford Cooper born in 1915 was their only child who decided to join his father in the ranching business.

In 1937 Lewis Cooper married Lucille Martin in Clovis, NM. In 1940 they moved to the headquarters of the ranch near his parents' home. Lewis was a sharp cattle tender and bought and sold cattle from California to Kansas. Lewis enjoyed the ranching business and had a keen eye for good horses. Lewis grew up in Kenna and Elida where he stayed actively involved in his community, working to make it a pleasant place to live. Lewis and Lucille had two daughters Virginia Ann, Jenny, and Jacqulin, Jackie. Lewis and Lucille continued ranching until Lewis died, in 1971. Lucille now makes her home in Portales where she stays involved with her church, grandchildren, and two great-grandsons.

Jenny Cooper, older daughter of Lewis and Lucille, married Dr. John Clemons in 1968 at the ranch home in Kenna. John has been active in the stocker yearling business at this location since Lewis's death in 1971. John has served as the general manager since 1971, along with that title, he also embraces ownership duties. The Running N Cattle Company has been continuously owned and operated by the same family. For the past 36 years John and Jenny, along with Jackie are the fourth generation to own the partnership and continue the business. Throughout the years the family has been able to purchase additional pieces of land allowing the ranch to expand. The headquarters is kept in the same

location as the original homestead between Kenna and Elida, NM. The Running N Brand appears on cattle in the counties of Roosevelt, Chavez, Lea, DeBaca, and Guadalupe.

I am proud of the success of this hard-working family. This family carries on all the traditions of the ranching lifestyle, in New Mexico and in the West. They take great pride in the land in which they have worked for many years. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their continued contributions to the State of New Mexico. I congratulate them on their success and wish them many successful years in the future.●

TRIBUTE TO LEWIS ENTZ

• Mr. ALLARD. Mr. President, today I wish to speak about an upstanding citizen of Colorado—Lewis Entz.

Former State Senator Entz will be receiving an honorary degree from Adams State College at their spring commencement on May 5, 2007. This honor will be bestowed upon him in recognition of the work he has done for the college and, more importantly, the San Luis Valley.

Lew Entz is the owner and operator of Entz Farms. He is a licensed pilot, a husband and father of four, and a Marine Corps veteran of the Korean war. Before spending nearly 20 years serving the people of region in the Colorado General Assembly, he was an Alamosa County commissioner for 14 years.

I served in the Colorado Legislature with then-Representative Entz for 8 years. We worked together on small airports, agriculture, and water. During all my time dealing with him, I learned enough to heartily agree with the board of trustees of Adams State College in their assessment of his value to his community, region, and State.

Lew's vast knowledge of Colorado's complex water laws was incredibly important to his district. Water is the most important aspect of existence in the San Luis Valley. Lew, as a farmer, has a full appreciation of this. Lew tirelessly worked for years to protect this resource for his constituents.

There is no one who has served the people of the San Luis Valley more vigorously or better than Lew Entz. I congratulate him on this honor from Adams State College, and want to thank him for his four decades of service to the people of the San Luis Valley and the State of Colorado.●

HONORING BOB AND JAN FRAUMANN

• Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. President, today I wish to acknowledge a very special occasion that only comes around once in a lifetime. This year Bob and Jan Fraumann will celebrate 50 years of marriage.

Bob and Jan are very special members of my church, Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, in Marietta, GA. Bob has been our Director of Music for

as long as I can remember. Every Sunday is a musical experience, but Easter, Christmas, and Independence Day are always exceptional. Bob works extremely hard for months to arrange remarkable music programs for those very special celebrations.

Bob and Jan are blessed with two sons, Rick and Greg, and four grandchildren. Rick and his wife Laura have two children, Bobbie and Brittany. Greg and his wife Terri have two children, Victoria and Sofia.

I am pleased today to join with my pastors, Steve Lyle and Laura Parker, and our entire congregation in congratulating Bob and Jan Fraumann on this truly momentous occasion. It is a privilege to stand here in this Senate and honor this tremendous milestone that embodies the profound love and commitment they have for one another. Their marriage is an inspiration to us all.●

TRIBUTE TO JOHN GILLIS

• Mr. KYL. Mr. President, National Crime Victims Rights Week will soon be celebrated. I would like to compliment John Gillis, the director of the Office of Victims of Crime at the Department of Justice, for his outstanding work on behalf of crime victims. I ask to have printed in the RECORD a column I wrote about Mr. Gillis.

The material follows.

HONORING DIRECTOR JOHN GILLIS

(By U.S. Senator Jon Kyl)

Each April for the past 26 years, the Nation has observed National Crime Victims Rights Week. This is a time when the country recognizes the harm suffered by millions of Americans at the hands of criminals and calls for additional ways to support victims in their struggle for justice.

This year I'd like to use this week to praise the leadership of John W. Gillis, the Director of the Justice Department's Office for Victims of Crime (OVC). During his long and distinguished law-enforcement career—including two decades with the Los Angeles Police Department and a stint as chair of the California Board of Prison Terms—Mr. Gillis has fought tirelessly on behalf of crime victims.

Mr. Gillis experienced personal tragedy in 1979 when gang members murdered his daughter Louarna as part of a targeted killing of children of police officers.

This horrific tragedy compelled him to help found the Justice for Homicide Victims and the Coalition of Victims Equal Rights, an organization that works for the rights of victims and their families. He also founded Victims and Friends United and has been an active member of Memory of Victims Everywhere and Parents of Murdered Children, a support group for families of homicide victims.

The President nominated Mr. Gillis to become Director of OVC in 2001, and I was honored to lead his nomination through the Senate. Since the beginning of his tenure, he has transformed the OVC into an organization that truly puts victims first.

Through his "victims first" focus, he helped provide the inspiration for the Scott Campbell, Stephanie Roper, Wendy Preston, Louarna Gillis, Nila Lynn Crime Victims Rights Act of 2004, named in part after his

daughter, which Senator Dianne Feinstein and I cosponsored, and which extends meaningful and enforceable rights to federal crime victims for the first time in our Nation's history.

To ensure that these new rights will be enforced through our courts, Mr. Gillis has supported the National Crime Victim Law Institute and new clinics across the country; such as the one here in Arizona, established by Arizona Voice for Crime Victims, which provided the first model in the Nation. These clinics provide free legal and social services to victims of crime who seek to be treated with the respect and dignity that they deserve. Congress has followed the example Mr. Gillis set by providing critically needed resources to support these efforts beginning in 2006, and we are committed to continue expanding them.

Under his leadership, OVC created the Helping Outreach Programs to Expand (HOPE) grant program to help fund grassroots victim service organizations that have had difficulty in obtaining public funding through other sources. In 2002, 376 programs received over \$1.8 million to support its development efforts, and, in 2007, the HOPE program will continue to develop and expand the use of grassroots service providers to help expand outreach to victims.

OVC has reached out to the Native American communities where the highest rates of violent crime occur. It increased funding for services to victims and expanded eligibility for this funding to include tribes not under federal jurisdiction. In 2005, OVC funded approximately \$8.5 million for projects serving Native American crime victims, and, in 2006, it increased discretionary funding to \$3.5 million for the Tribal Victim Assistance Program, allowing 30 tribes to develop direct services to victims of violent crime.

OVC also recently announced the availability of an online application for the International Terrorism Victim Expense Reimbursement Program, which is intended to reimburse victims for allowable expenses incurred as a result of acts of terrorism occurring outside the United States. Additionally, under OVC's Antiterrorism and Emergency Assistance Program, OVC provided assistance to jurisdictions to support the response to incidents of mass violence on school campuses.

This Crime Victims Rights Week, we should not only honor crime victims and those affected by crime, but think about new ways to help and support victims in their struggle for justice. The examples that I've cited are only a few of Mr. Gillis's accomplishments as OVC director that will help those seeking justice. And, I am proud to have someone like Mr. Gillis guiding these efforts. His service to the President and to crime victims is a credit to our country.●

GIRL SCOUTS OF THE OUACHITA COUNCIL

• Mrs. LINCOLN. Mr. President, honest and fair. Friendly and helpful. Considerate and caring. Courageous and strong. For 80 years, the Girl Scouts of Ouachita Council have worked to instill these values into the girls of central and southeast Arkansas. On April 14, 2007, they will gather together to celebrate this impressive anniversary, and I want to take this time to celebrate with them. Their tireless commitment to the young women of our State has helped bring out the best in the daughters of Arkansas, and we owe them a great deal of thanks for this important work.