

will tell you that it is more like four or five to one to get away.

The Feds boast of 628 miles of fencing now in place, but only 310 miles of that is actually fence. The rest of it, 318 miles, is vehicle barriers that don't stop anybody on foot. Foot traffic still pours over the mountains south of Sierra Vista to the tune of 1,500 a week according to local citizens who count them by placing hidden cameras on the trails. Rancher John Ladd counted some 350 illegals on his San Jose ranch over a period of 18 days before this newspaper interview. He says he is on the phone with the Border Patrol on an average of three times a day, seven days a week, to report groups crossing his ranch.

As one resident said, "We are under the gun all the time. There are people watching us all the time. The smugglers have scouts on the hills watching us, watching Customs, watching Border Patrol. They're terrorists, very militaristic, and they get a high out of it. As long as they can get away with it, it's okay. That's their mentality."

They say the most dangerous thing you can do as a citizen is reach for your cell phone if seen by one of the drug smugglers. Forget you even own one. Keep your hands visible. And no sudden moves if you are spotted. If you encounter the wrong guy and he thinks you are calling Border Patrol, he might just start shooting at you.

Now, when men go out to work at their corrals on the border on their ranches, sometimes miles from the house, their wives go along, too. They are afraid to be alone in their own home. That is no way to live, Mr. Speaker.

People on the border are under siege by the crime cartels. The people-smuggling operations have been taken over by the drug cartels, and the coyotes and the drug cartels work together to smuggle people and drugs across the border, all in the name of money. To cross around Douglas, the rate has gone up to \$2,500 per person. When they don't have the money to pay the drug smugglers and the coyotes, they carry drugs as payment to cross.

Cochise County Sheriff Larry Dever said in recent Senate testimony, "I guarantee that every group coming across that border today has a gun." Just Friday, a deputy sheriff was shot by narco-terrorists carrying AK-47s in Pinal County, 70 miles north of the border.

Those ill-informed elites that don't live in a border State, but reside in high rises in New York or San Francisco, live in "never-never land" when they criticize Arizona for trying to protect its people.

The border is not safe. Ask people who live on the border, both Mexicans in Mexico and Americans in the United States. Those residents call the border a war zone.

The United States protects the borders of other nations. It's about time we protect our own border.

And that's just the way it is.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. PRICE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. PRICE of North Carolina addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

TRIBUTE TO DONALD SPENCER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. DRIEHAUS) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. DRIEHAUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to one of Cincinnati's great citizens, Donald Spencer.

Donald Spencer's philosophy in life was, "When you leave this world, it should be better because you have lived." He certainly made this world a better place. Donald Spencer lived life to the fullest and touched many as a community leader, a teacher, and a real estate broker. He was born March 5, 1915, and he died yesterday, May 4, 2010.

Donald Spencer was the first African American real estate broker with the Cincinnati Area Board of Realtors, but teaching never left his blood. A lifelong resident of Cincinnati, he helped pave the way for African Americans in education, as well as real estate, during his career.

Having graduated from Walnut Hills High School before earning his bachelor's degree and master's degree from the University of Cincinnati by 1940, Mr. Spencer embarked on an 18-year teaching career at Douglass, Stowe and Bloom junior high schools.

He opened his real estate office concurrently with the last 6 years of teaching. Five years later, he was well-established as Donald A. Spencer and Associates. The firm eventually grew to 23 on its staff and prospered for 30 years, first with an office in Walnut Hills and later in Avondale.

He was named president of the Cincinnati Association of Real Estate Brokers and was active with PAC, the national policy-making commission of the National Association of Real Estate Brokers.

A staunch supporter of Cincinnati public schools, Mr. Spencer chaired the 2001 campaign, successfully passing the November tax levy. In 2003, he served with CASE, Cincinnati's Active in Support of Education, which led to the passing of the \$435 million levy to build 35 new schools and renovate the remaining 31 buildings.

A lifetime member of the NAACP, Mr. Spencer was active his entire adult life in civic, religious, and civic rights organizations. A member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, he established the undergraduate chapter on the University of Cincinnati campus in 1939. He served on the Boards of Ohio Uni-

versity for 2 years as its president, the Ohio Valley Goodwill, the Fenwick Club, and Family Housing Developers. He was a founding board member of the Friends of Cincinnati Parks and an executive board member of the Walnut Hills High School Foundation.

He also has been active in the Boys Club, the Cincinnati Association, the City of Cincinnati Board of Housing Appeals, the Task Force on Racial Isolation in Cincinnati Public Schools, and Cincinnati's Historic Conservation Board. He was a 30-year trustee at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, now the New Vision United Methodist Church. Among his many honors, Donald Spencer in 1997 received the Charles P. Taft Civic Gumption Award from the Cincinnati Charter Committee.

In 2001, the Cincinnati Park Board developed the Donald A. Spencer Overlook in Eden Park, one of our jewels, to recognize his many years of service to the park system.

Mr. Spencer received the Founders' Citation from the Ohio University Board of Trustees, one of only 14 people to receive the honor in the university's 200-year history.

He leaves behind his wife, Marian, his wife of nearly 70 years, and the legacy that lived up to his own philosophy.

When you look at the folks in Cincinnati and you look at the people that make a difference, the Spencers are the First Couple of Cincinnati.

Mr. Spencer will be dearly missed. He was a treasure to all of us in Cincinnati.

ESTABLISHING THE DEPARTMENT OF NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JONES) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. JONES. Mr. Speaker, yesterday I was humbled, but also pleased, that the House of Representatives passed legislation that would rename the Department of the Navy to be the Department of Navy and Marine Corps, and I want to thank 426 cosponsors of this legislation for joining us yesterday.

Mr. Speaker, the history on this issue is that this is the tenth year that the House of Representatives, not with a vote on the floor of the House, but in the Armed Services Committee, has put language in the House Armed Services authorization bill that would do the same thing, and that is to say, that the Department of the Navy would become the Department of Navy and Marine Corps.

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The reason yesterday was very important that we would have this vote on the floor of the House was to say to the Senate, who for 10 years has stopped this effort to recognize two great services, the Navy and Marine Corps, which are known as one fighting team and would carry the name Department of Navy and Marine Corps, it

was to say to the Senate, "Please take a look at this and please look at this seriously because this is important to a large number of people in both the Navy and Marine Corps."

There is no cost to this. This does not affect the budget. It doesn't affect even the stationery. It would just make it so that in the future, as changes come about, it would be known as the Department of Navy and Marine Corps.

Mr. Speaker, I want to tell a story about a news conference. About 6 weeks ago, the Marine Corps League held a news conference in the Cannon Office Building to announce their support of this legislation. At the news conference we had Senator PAT ROBERTS, a retired Marine officer who serves in the United States Senate, who has put in a companion bill, S. 504. In addition, we had a former Commandant, Al Gray, to speak on behalf of this legislation. We had a four star Marine General, Anthony Zinni, to speak on behalf of this legislation.

In addition, we had a young man named Eddie Wright. Eddie Wright lost both hands in Iraq for this country. And he told a very compelling story. He is a Marine, and he said, "I love the Navy." He said, "I love the corpsmen who came on the battlefield and saved my life."

Then we also had a father named Dick Lynn from Richmond, Virginia. Dick Lynn's son was killed in Iraq. He was a Marine. And Mr. Lynn told the story of his father, who had served as a World War II Navy veteran, and the fact that in Culpeper, Virginia, his son, a Marine, is buried next to his grandfather. And Dick Lynn told the story of having the headstone that says "United States Navy" that identified his father who was deceased, and then beside his father was his son's headstone that had "United States Marine Corps".

I bring that up, Mr. Speaker, because we can see beside me is a poster of an actual condolence letter from the United States Navy to the family of a Marine captain who was killed in Iraq. And it says, "The Secretary of the Navy, Washington, D.C.," with the Navy flag. I certainly took the names out of the condolence letter for this poster. Mr. and Mrs. Joe American Marine. "Dear Marine Corps Family: On behalf of the Department of the Navy, please accept my very sincere condolences."

Mr. Speaker, the Navy and Marine Corps are one fighting team. They deserve to be respected as one fighting team by carrying the name Navy and Marine Corps.

Mr. Speaker, if this bill is accepted by the Senate, what we would see in a condolence letter would be "The Secretary of the Navy and Marine Corps," with the Navy flag and the Marine Corps flag. And it would say, "Dear Marine Corps Family: On behalf of the Department of Navy and Marine Corps, we extend our condolences." That's the story that Mr. Lynn tried to say at the news conference.

Why cannot the Senate understand the importance of paying the respects with the recognition to the Marine Corps which the Navy has, the Army has, the Air Force has? This is a very simple change of three words, with no cost to the American taxpayer.

Mr. Speaker, in closing I would like to say there is a national Web site. It's called MarineCause.com. Gunnery Sergeant Lee Erney, a movie star who himself served in the Marine Corps, in the movie Full Metal Jacket, which is about Vietnam, he is the DI in that movie. He is also on the Military Channel with Lock 'N Load and Mail Call. He is our national spokesman on this Web site. So I hope that the American people would join in this effort.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. ETHERIDGE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, this week is Teacher Appreciation Week, and I rise today to say a heartfelt "thank you" to the teachers across the country. This apple is but a symbol of my gratitude for all that teachers have given to me. I have been fortunate enough to live the American dream.

My teachers were ones who made it all possible, whether it was Ms. Barber, who taught me in my early years at Cleveland School; or Coach Bruce Coats, who taught me that it was not enough just to work hard, but that you had to work smart; or Coach Fred McCall, who helped me focus my hard work in college both on and off the basketball court; or any of those who came in-between. My teachers helped shape who I am.

I recently received a letter from a teacher in Johnston County who was worried about our children. And she said, "In these tough budget times, cutting funding in education now means shortchanging an entire generation of learners for the future."

I urge my colleagues today to join me in thanking teachers and working to support funding for the teachers who will shape our Nation's future. As Americans, let us work to make every day a day we say "thank you" to the teachers who mold the future.

FLYING PIG MARATHON

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio (Mrs. SCHMIDT) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mrs. SCHMIDT. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize not only all of those who participated in Sunday's Flying Pig Marathon, but most importantly, our male winner from my area, Milford, Ohio.

Let me tell you the conditions 18,000 participants faced on Sunday. Six-thirty in the morning, torrential downpour, with a forecast of a 90 percent chance it wouldn't let up. And unfortu-

nately, they were right. But as 18,000 of us decided to go at least part of the distance, 6,000 of us decided to go the full 26.2-mile distance.

The Flying Pig Marathon was the brainchild of Bob Coughlin 12 years ago. Twenty-five thousand people participated in the weekend event. And it took an enormous amount of folks, including 3,000 volunteers, to help make that event happen. For all of us that participated, we want to say "thank you".

But I think this year's winner, Brian List, really wants to say thanks to those that helped because his dream came true. This young man, Milford High School graduate, cross country participant in high school, cross country participant in college, came back to his hometown to raise a family and to continue to pursue his dream of running. This was his fourth try at the marathon in Cincinnati. He never really thought he had what it took to actually be a winner. But on Sunday, he was. He posted a great time, 2 hours, 32 minutes, and 20 seconds. He followed his dream, his heart, and achieved his goal. And I am so proud of him.

I don't want to not recognize Lauren Arnold from Colorado, the female winner, but I do want to brag about Brian List, because as a runner I know what it takes to go the distance, and he certainly did that for us.

In conclusion, I would like to say that for most of us I think we adopted Barry Manilow's song, "I Made It Through the Rain." But I know that for Brian and Lauren they were more like Gene Kelly, because at the end they were singing in the rain.

I want to thank all of those that participated, especially the volunteers. And I really want to thank Bob Coughlin for putting this brainchild together and allowing all of us to have fun. Because you know, Mr. Speaker, in Cincinnati pigs do fly at least 1 day out of the year. And next May, the first Sunday in May, it will be our 13th running. Let's hope that the weather will compete as well as it has for 11 of the 12.

I again want to say "thank you" to Brian List for following his dream, keeping his pedal to the metal, and getting that crown.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Ms. WOOLSEY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. WOOLSEY addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. QUIGLEY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, this month marks Jewish American Heritage Month. So now seems a fitting