

science in making public policy and has provided Congress and the public with valuable assessments of recent scientific advances and trends. By stressing fact-based assessments of science, the Marshall Institute has helped policy makers make wise decisions in contentious areas such as climate change, defense, bioterrorism, and civic environmentalism. I ask that all of my colleagues in the House of Representatives join me in honoring this institution, which has provided an invaluable service to the policy-making community for the past 20 years, and in wishing them all success in the future.

TRIBUTE TO VIC JENSEN

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 22, 2004

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to an individual whose dedication and contributions to the community of Riverside County, CA, are exceptional. We have been fortunate to have dynamic and dedicated community leaders who willingly and unselfishly give their time and talent and make their communities a better place to live and work. Vic Jensen is one of these individuals.

Vic Jensen will retire after 34 years of service as office manager of the Department of Motor Vehicles' Winnetka, Hemet, Corona, and Norco field offices on June 26, 2004.

Vic Jensen was born in Sacramento, California, on January 27, 1937. He and his wife, Isabel, have been married for 40 years and have one daughter, Julie Kim. Vic served in the United States Navy for 4 years, before moving to Norco in 1981 and quickly becoming involved in a variety of community activities, including: Board Member and President of the Norco Chamber of Commerce for 9 years; Commissioner of the Norco Streets and Trails Commission for 7 years; Numerous positions—President, Secretary, Zone Chairman, and Regional Chairman—over 14 years with the Norco Lions Club; Chairman of the Sight and Hearing Board for the Norco/Corona Unified School District; and Member of the Citizen's Advisory Committee for the California Rehabilitation Center.

Recognition of Vic's contributions include the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, Assemblyman Ted Weggeland, State Senator Raymond Haynes, and former California Governor Pete Wilson, for his work as President of the Norco Chamber of Commerce in 1996. Additionally, he has received the Abdul Award for his work with Canine Companions, the Lyda Smiley Award for his work with the Norco/Corona Unified School District in obtaining glasses for children in need, and the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award in 1997 for all of his accomplishments as a member of the Norco Lions Club.

Vic also spends countless hours in perfecting his passion for golf, golf, and more golf. Whenever a chance arrives he is fine-tuning his game.

Mr. Speaker, Vic's tireless passion for community service has contributed immensely to the betterment of the community of Norco, California. He has been the heart and soul of many community organizations and events

and I am proud to call him a fellow community member, American, and friend. I know that many community members are grateful for his service and salute him as he retires from professional service, but not from community service.

IN RECOGNITION OF MARION
BROADHEAD OF THE AMERICAN
LEGION AUXILIARY

HON. E. CLAY SHAW, JR.

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 22, 2004

Mr. SHAW. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Marion Broadhead and her work as a member of the Sterling McClellan Post 142 of the American Legion Auxiliary. This organization, which is dedicated to humanitarian programs for veterans, young people, and the community, has a strong team of women working together for the betterment of citizens lives.

Recently the Sterling McClellan Post 142 of Pompano Beach, Florida, honored Ms. Broadhead as their five-time president, and current chaplain with the Unit Member of the Year Award. Ms. Broadhead was honored at an annual Memorial Day Parade and Picnic in Pompano Beach. Former U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno, along with members of the community and some surviving veterans, joined in this celebration.

Ms. Broadhead has led in the effort of community service by volunteering weekly in South Florida. Broadhead, who is a breast cancer survivor, spends her days visiting North Broward Medical Center, Trinity Community Church, St. Lawrence Chapel, and the Veterans Hospital in Miami.

Mr. Speaker, the benevolent and generous spirit that Ms. Marion Broadhead, in combination with the Sterling McClellan Post 142, has shown to the communities of South Florida is one that I would like to celebrate. Individuals like Ms. Broadhead help in building unified and strong communities in America.

PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN

HON. STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 22, 2004

Mrs. JONES of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I was not able to speak on the floor Wednesday, June 9, 2004, regarding the passing of former President Ronald Reagan. However, I would like to submit to the RECORD an article from Cleveland Plain Dealer written by local columnist Sam Fullwood on Tuesday, June 8, 2004.

PRESIDENT REAGAN: A BAD LEADING MAN

I never liked Ronald Reagan.

I didn't like him as a B- movie star in eye-wash like "Bedtime for Bonzo," a 1951 movie in which the future president of the United States was upstaged by a chimpanzee.

I didn't respect him for turning away from President Franklin D. Roosevelt, whose New Deal policies helped lift Reagan's own family out of the depths of the Great Depression.

He was a hypocrite who started out as a Democrat and proud union man but turned

Republican after he became rich and famous in Hollywood by pretending to be a common man.

But it was as president that I disliked Reagan most. Actually, the way he announced his decision to run ruined any chance of redemption.

On Aug. 3, 1980, the former California governor went to Philadelphia, Miss. Of all the places in this great nation, Reagan chose the infamous town where the bodies of three murdered heroes of the civil rights movement—Michael Schwerner, Andrew Goodman and James Chaney—had been found in 1964. He never mentioned them or civil rights in his announcement speech.

Instead, on that hot, summer day in Mississippi, he stole a line from Strom Thurmond's 1948 segregationist campaign.

"I believe in states' rights," Reagan said.

I haven't been able to stomach him ever since.

Of course, a great many people loved Reagan for his optimism and never-say-die confidence in this nation. I tip my hat to him for that.

But judging from the accolades following news of Reagan's death, at 93, last weekend, many people only note the best about the 40th president.

I remember the downside, too.

Much of the bad that has happened in America's public life started with the Reagan Revolution. Racial polarization widened during his two terms in the White House.

Reaganism let loose a sense of entitlement and lawlessness among corporate executives, spawning that famous line by actor Michael Douglas in his 1987 movie, "Wall Street." Said Gordon Gekko, "Greed is good."

Before Reagan, the national GOP contained moderates and conservatives in equal measure. After his rise to power, the relatively liberal Rockefeller wing of the party was clipped, leaving only the red-meat conservatives and intolerant Christian fundamentalists.

And that wasn't the worst of it. Reagan and his powerful allies poisoned the nation against government. Out of misguided populism, he threatened to starve the federal government out of existence.

Such a notion was impossible. But it didn't prevent Reagan from overseeing record deficits, rampant unemployment, desperate homelessness and rising poverty. Meanwhile, he spent liberally on military hardware, which helped end the Cold War.

Little is said about how he waged war on this nation's poor people. Reagan loved to tell stories, and he invented whoppers about "welfare queens" and "people on welfare driving Cadillacs to cash food stamps."

Reagan understood the power of an exaggerated metaphor. He used his movie-honed skills to inspire affluent Americans and to scapegoat poor ones.

It was mostly smoke and mirrors, honed from a life and career lived in La-La Land. I am saddened by his passing, but I can't indulge in the fiction that he represented the best of our national character. He didn't.

First and everlasting, Reagan was a bad actor.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 22, 2004

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, on June 18, 2004, I missed rollcall Vote No. 275. Rollcall

Vote No. 275 was on final passage of a bill Making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes.

Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall Vote No. 275.

COMMENDING THE SERVICE AND SPIRIT OF SISTER JEANNE O'LAUGHLIN UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE PRESIDENCY OF BARRY UNIVERSITY

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 22, 2004

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the long and dedicated service of Sister Jeanne O'Laughlin, who will step down as president of Barry University on June 30, 2004.

Mr. Speaker, Sister Jeanne has been an exemplary leader at Barry University since taking office 23 years ago, in 1981. A tireless and enthusiastic promoter, she has helped to raise more than \$200 million for her school, sometimes through humorous means, such as competitive ballroom dancing and singing at a fundraiser aboard a yacht.

Sister Jeanne has made an enormously positive impact on the academic environment at Barry University. At the time of her inauguration, Barry University had 1,750 students. It now boasts 9,042, the fourth largest private university in Florida. Sister Jeanne has presided over an increase in the number of academic schools from five to ten, and the construction of 38 additional buildings on campus.

Her multiple awards, achievements and honorary degrees, too many to list here, testify to her boundless energy, her spirit of goodwill, and her commitment to excellence in education. Her work on behalf of women's rights, the homeless, safe and drug-free school communities, hurricane reconstruction efforts, children, and numerous other organizations has had a lasting impact in South Florida. Simply put, her efforts have touched hundreds of thousands of lives.

Mr. Speaker, Sister Jeanne more than deserves our admiration and respect for her dedicated and compassionate public service. She is an example to educators everywhere, and, really, to us all as individuals, that superior results arise when you put your heart and soul into something you believe in. As Sister Jeanne has said, what she is "most proud of in my 23 years at Barry University are the experiences that I've had with the people who have been in my life."

I wish to congratulate and thank Sister Jeanne O'Laughlin, and I wish her the best of luck in all of her future endeavors.

TENTH YEAR OF NATIONAL HIV TESTING DAY

HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 22, 2004

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join the AIDS Services

Foundation of Orange County, California in recognizing the tenth year of National HIV Testing Day, a life saving effort organized by the National Association of People with AIDS. This year's theme is "Take the test, and take control" of your life.

Each year, an estimated 40,000 new HIV infections occur in the United States, and as many as one-third of those new cases do not know they are infected. This growing and tragic epidemic has undeniably affected families and friends of every community. National HIV Testing Day emphasizes the importance of early detection of the virus through testing, counseling and HIV status awareness.

Latino populations continue to be disproportionately affected by HIV/AIDS. While Latino teens represent 15 percent of the U.S. population, they account for 21 percent of new AIDS cases. And statistics show HIV infections may be on the rise among the Latino population.

I am privileged to promote National HIV Testing Day by urging minority communities to take the test, and to take control of their lives. The reality is minority communities now represent the majority of new AIDS cases. Considering this fact, we must encourage testing. Since 1995, treatment advances have led to dramatic declines of approximately 70 percent in HIV-related deaths.

Mr. Speaker, I commend the AIDS Services Foundation of Orange County for the very important contributions and services they provide to those affected by HIV and AIDS. As Members of Congress, let's do our part to protect our constituents and to promote National HIV Testing Day.

HONORING ISABELLE WADSWORTH OF PETALUMA, CA ON HER 90TH BIRTHDAY

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 22, 2004

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Isabelle Wadsworth of Petaluma, California, on the occasion of her 90th birthday. A good friend, a wise woman, and a great mind, Isabelle's active life is a model for all of us who value community leadership and visionary spirit.

Born in Phoenix, Arizona, in 1914, Isabelle earned a BA at the University of Arizona and an MA at Northwestern University. In Arizona, she met her future husband, John Wadsworth. They married in 1937 and headed for California shortly thereafter. Initially, John managed a paint store in Santa Barbara and then served in the U.S. Army Air Corps until 1946. During the War, Isabelle moved to Sonoma County where John joined her later. Their daughter Sandra was born in 1948. The couple enjoyed a 63-year marriage. John passed away in 2000.

In 1943, Isabelle began work as an office manager at Sonoma Title Guaranty, eventually joining the Board of Directors from which she retired in the 1960s. Her concern for her community resulted in the creation of Petaluma People's Services, which she helped launch in 1963. Today the organization successfully offers a broad range of services such as counseling, housing, employment assistance, senior services, and other programs.

As a director at Sonoma County Mental Health Services, Isabelle was instrumental in the establishment of Oakcrest, a county mental health facility. She also served on the Sonoma County Grand Jury and was active in the League of Women Voters. She remains politically involved today, following the news closely and commenting freely on the issues.

Daughter Sandi describes Isabelle as "an inspiration and a mentor to me. She taught me the value of being a well-rounded person, exposing yourself to as much as you can and learning about everything."

Mr. Speaker, Isabelle Wadsworth is an inspiration to many of us, especially women who share her passion to make a difference. Her community leadership shows what caring people can accomplish. Happy Birthday, Isabelle.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LUIS V. GUTIERREZ

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 22, 2004

Mr. GUTIERREZ. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent for votes in this Chamber on June 21, 2004. I would like the RECORD to show that, had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall votes 276, 277, and 278.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2005

SPEECH OF

HON. RON KIND

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 17, 2004

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of Union has under consideration the bill. (H.R. 4568) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes.

Mr. KIND. Mr. Chairman, I rise in opposition to the amendment offered by my friend and colleague, Congressman RUSH HOLT.

Yellowstone National Park is the flagship of the National Park Service and is a favorite to millions of visitors each year. Since the first explorers began documenting their discoveries to modern day, the features of Yellowstone National Park have virtually remained the same. The scenic beauty, the thermal features, the volcanic mysteries, the free roaming wildlife are all a throwback to bygone days that continues to captivate the hearts and minds to all who are fortunate enough to witness them.

Mr. Chairman, this wonderful experience should remain available to those who responsibly use a snowmobile to enjoy all that Yellowstone has to offer.

Snowmobiling is a very important recreational activity for many Wisconsin families each winter. In fact, there are over 210,000 registered snowmobiles in my state, and I am concerned this amendment would unnecessarily curtail a popular method of enjoying Yellowstone and negatively impact on the industries snowmobiling supports.