

Sciences. In the Oakland community, Chancellor Tien pushed for education reform programs for both primary and secondary schools. As an active member of the Pacific Council on International Policy and the U.S. Committee for Economic Development, he traveled the globe to promote the American values of democracy and freedom and to pursue greater communication between the East and the West.

After 7 years as chancellor, and over 38 years of service to the University of California, Chancellor Tien will relinquish his position by June 30, 1997. The service of this accomplished educator and dedicated community leader clearly sets an example for our entire community.

I joint the Oakland Chinese Community Council in commending him on his decades of outstanding service to Oakland.

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IN MEMORY OF ANN HARRIS

**HON. JAMES P. MORAN**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 8, 1997*

Mr. MORAN of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate a young and vital member of the northern Virginia community whose life was tragically cut short by gun violence. Ann Harris' life was filled with promise. She came from a wonderful, devoted family; she was a varsity tennis and soccer player at Mount Vernon High School; a member of the National Honor Society; and, she had just been accepted in the early admissions program at Purdue University. Ann's natural vibrance and exuberance for life made her a very popular and outgoing young woman. A former intern of mine, Jennifer Reiley, who was one of Ann's best friends and soccer teammates described Ann as someone who always looked on the bright side and helped others see the best in themselves. She said Ann was a natural leader, who knew when to listen and when to lead.

While on vacation in Washington State visiting a friend and former student at Mount Vernon High School, Ann, just 17 years old, was fatally shot in a drive-by shooting. The unprovoked attack has shocked northern Virginians and Tacoma, WA, residents, who can't believe such a senseless act of violence could happen in such a peaceful community. Ann's parents, Coleman and Jean Harris, have been actively involved in every aspect of Ann's life: Coleman Harris is currently president of the Parent-Teacher Association and Jean Harris is president of the Choral Boosters. Yet, for all of their involvement, they could not prevent the senseless act of violence that stripped them of their talented young daughter.

Mr. Speaker, the violence must stop. Congress must act to ensure that guns are taken off the streets and out of the hands of reckless criminals who have no respect for human life. Our efforts together can help prevent such needless tragedy in the future. As our community mourns Ann's all too brief life and tragic end, we must work to ensure that our children can feel safe and that no other parents will have to endure the kind of suffering that Coleman and Jean Harris now endure.

LA PROGRESIVA PRESBYTERIAN SCHOOL 25TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY

**HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 8, 1997*

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize La Progresiva Presbyterian School for its 25th school year anniversary.

The Presbyterian school, La Progresiva, was founded in Cardenas, Cuba, by a North American missionary named Dr. Robert L. Wharton on the 11th of November, 1900. On that day, La Progresiva opened its doors with only 14 students and with the reading of the first book of Corinthians chapter.

The school developed into one of the finest educational establishments of Cuba, expanding its facilities to accommodate the increasing enrollment of students. Its growing reputation as a fine center of learning, however, was put to a stop in 1961 with the arrival of communism in the island.

Communism was able to put an end to the material aspect of La Progresiva in Cardenas, but it could never destroy the spirit and ideals which still remained alive. So in September 1971, with the help of the First Spanish Presbyterian Church of Miami and the alumni of the old La Progresiva, the new Progresiva opened its doors. It started with humble beginnings in much the same way it predecessor had.

Like the old school, this new one grew in popularity and as a result of the increasing demand for enrollment, La Progresiva added another wing to its main building in 1978. The school continued its expansion adding more classrooms to accommodate the demand for admittance into the school. Along with growing in educational capacity, La Progresiva also bettered itself in the athletic department, improving over the years in its sports and, presently, plans are being discussed for a gymnasium.

The Progresiva spirit has prevailed through the years to produce a center of learning which will stand long into the future and one which makes all Progresivistas proud.

On this, La Progresivas' 25th school year anniversary, the school's motto is stronger than ever: "Una Vez de La Progresiva, Siempre de La Progresiva."

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HONORING THE PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY VALOR AWARD WINNERS

**HON. THOMAS M. DAVIS**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 8, 1997*

Mr. DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the 1996 Prince William Regional Chamber of Commerce and the Prince William County Greater Manassas Chamber of Commerce Valor Award winners. The Valor Awards honor public service officers who have demonstrated extreme self-sacrifice, personal bravery, and ingenuity in the performance of their duty. Significantly, this year marks the 11th anniversary of the event honoring members of law enforcement and fire and rescue agencies historically servicing Prince William County, Dumfries, Haymarket,

Manassas, Manassas Park, Occoquan, and Quantico. There are five categories: The Gold Medal of Valor, the Silver Medal of Valor, the Bronze Medal of Valor, the Certificate of Valor, and the Lifesaving Award.

The Silver Medal of Valor is the second highest award for bravery and heroism. Awarded in situations when a public safety official knowingly exposes himself/herself to great personal risk in the performance of an official act.

The Silver Medal of Valor Award winners for 1996 are: Technician Anthony J. Adamo, Officer Mark J. Harman, and Officer Craig S. Lawhead.

The Bronze Medal of Valor is awarded in situations where during the course of an emergency, a public safety official demonstrates judgment, ingenuity, or performance at a level that clearly exceeds that required and expected in the performance of his/her duties. May include the saving of a life that is threatened by medical or physical reasons.

The Bronze Medal of Valor Award winner for 1996 is firefighter Brian Morton.

The Certificate of Valor is awarded for acts that involve personal risk and/or demonstration of judgment, zeal, or ingenuity above what is normally expected in the performance of duties.

The Certificate of Valor Award winners for 1996 are: Officer Gene W. Baughan, Officer Robert S. Berkebile, Sgt. Ronald M. Campione, Officer Randall L. Eagal, Lance Cpl. Joe L. Norman, and Officer Brian Walker.

The Lifesaving Award is awarded in recognition of acts taken in a life-threatening situation where an individual's life is in jeopardy, either medically or physically.

The Lifesaving Award winners for 1996 are: technician Scott Boggs, Officer Janet E. Clayton, Lt. Raymond T. Colgan, Sgt. Robert E. Forker, Jr., Officer Steve Hargrave, technician Vincent Kern, technician Tracey LaBass, Lt. Mike Lawson, technician Bryan Ross, emergency communications specialist Catherine M. Tremul, and S. Sgt. Michael S. Wesolowski.

Mr. Speaker, in conclusion, I would like to send my sincere gratitude and heartfelt appreciation to these distinguished public servants, who put their lives on the line every day on behalf of their fellow Virginians.

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"COMP TIME" BILL

**HON. MARION BERRY**

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 8, 1997*

Mr. BERRY. Mr. Speaker, I am a strong supporter of working men and women, but not an advocate of intrusive Government regulations. When possible, I work toward finding a cooperative solution rather than a regulatory one. It was on this basis that I voted against the so-called comp time bill, H.R. 1.

Although I support the concept of comptime, as I learned more and more about the ways this bill would meddle in the daily operation of businesses and would add another layer of bureaucracy in the workplace, the less I liked it. At first, the President's proposal was an option I considered, because I wanted to be sure that workers could feel confident in their ability to receive overtime pay. But as I said, this employee protection came with a price—more