

RETIREMENT OF FRANK STEWART

HON. MARK UDALL

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 6, 2002

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a dedicated public servant who is retiring after over 30 years of service to his country and to his community. Frank Stewart is stepping down as the director of the Department of Energy's Field Office at the National Renewable Energy Lab in Golden, CO.

Frank has directed this office for the last 7 years. During this time he was responsible for promoting the development and commercialization of energy, efficiency and renewable energy technologies by working with industry, for administering the management and operations contract for the National Renewable Energy Lab, and for providing administrative support to DOE's six Regional Support Offices.

Throughout his career Frank has served in numerous positions in DOE and its predecessor agency, the Federal Energy Administration. Frank served for a time as the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, and demonstrated leadership as well as broad understanding of renewable energy's potential.

At home and abroad, Frank has been a dedicated supporter of renewable technology and has had a hand in numerous projects that expanded the use of renewable energy. When 30 Federal agencies in Denver wanted to purchase wind power, Frank played an important role in formulating the deal that allowed them to purchase ten megawatts of the renewably generated power. He also has traveled to several African countries to advise those governments on the best use of renewable energy technologies. He even helped to install a solar-powered water purification system on one of his trips.

From this experience, Frank has gained an understanding of the importance that renewable energy can play in our society, enhancing national security, improving the environment, and its potential in helping to rebuild shattered countries. Frank is a strong proponent of using renewable energy to establish the new infrastructure in Afghanistan. Frank believes that renewable energy would be the most cost effective means to power Afghanistan since "it would not require the construction of a massive infrastructure, such as a network of pipelines and wires." Frank believes that the technology that has the best chance of success in undeveloped countries is one that is non-polluting and can create jobs. Renewable energy can be the power behind the rebuilding of Afghanistan and many other developing countries.

Frank Stewart has been a dedicated community servant for over 40 years. He has promoted education and energy technologies that will enhance our children's world rather than pollute it and delete it of resources. Frank has dedicated his career to public service and has sought a way to leave things better than he found them. He deserves our thanks for his service, his dedication, and his commitment. He stands as an example to citizens across the country of how an individual can contribute to society.

HONORING THE 56TH ANNUAL PUBLIC SERVANTS MERIT AWARD RECIPIENTS

HON. STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. JONES of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, in honor of the 56th Annual Public Servants Merit Award of the Cuyahoga County Bar Foundation, I would like to salute the honorees by entering them in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. Each honoree has provided over 20 years of faithful service to the bench, bar, and public. These public servants will be honored this year with the distinguished Franklin A. Polk Servants Merit Award on February 8, 2002.

Shannon Donahue, Cuyahoga County Domestic Relations Court, Administrative Assistant to the Personnel Director. Nominated by Hon. Timothy M. Flanagan, Administrative Judge.

Judith McGinty, U.S. District Court, Cleveland Clerks Office, Operations Specialist. Nominated by Hon. Paul M. Matia, Chief Judge.

Margaret Payne, Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court, Senior Supervisor, Clerk's Office. Nominated by Hon. Peter Sikora, Administrative Judge.

Donna Owen, Ohio's Eighth District Court of Appeals, Judicial Secretary. Nominated by Hon. Diane Karpinski.

James Ruddy, Cuyahoga County Clerk of Courts, Acting Department Head, Pending Files-Civil Division. Nominated by Gerald E. Fuerst, Clerk of Courts.

Mercedes Sport, Ohio's Eighth District Court of Appeals, Court Administrator. Nominated by Cuyahoga County Bar Foundation, Public Servants Committee.

Richard Sunyak, Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas, Assistant Director of Operations. Nominated by Hon. Richard J. McMonagle, Presiding Judge.

Ron Tabor, Cleveland Municipal Court, Clerk of Courts, Director of Criminal Division. Nominated by Earle B. Turner, Clerk of Cleveland Municipal Court.

Theresa Talbott, Cuyahoga County Probate Court, Psychiatric Department. Nominated by Hon. John J. Donnelly, Presiding Judge.

Barbara Washington, Cleveland Municipal Court, Jury Commissioner. Nominated by Hon. Larry Jones, Presiding & Administrative Judge.

IN RECOGNITION OF SEARCH AND CARE

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Search and Care, a grass-roots neighborhood agency that has an extraordinarily beneficial effect on homebound elderly living in my district. Search and Care has been a vibrant part of the community in which I live and represent. It is a pleasure to pay tribute to this illustrious organization.

Search and Care is a not-for-profit social service agency that serves the homebound elderly in Manhattan's Yorkville neighborhood. Founded in January 1972, it is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year.

In 1971, the Rev. Clarke K. Oler, the rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, convinced an elderly parishioner to get badly needed medical attention. He took her to a hospital clinic where she died in the waiting room while waiting for her physician. At around the same time, he learned of an elderly neighbor who died of starvation. Recognizing that other old people would benefit from assistance in accessing available services, Rev. Oler took initiative and established Search and Care. Search and Care's mission is to find and serve the elderly so that they can live safely and independently in the Yorkville community. Rev. Oler secured private funds and enlisted the help of Suzanne Chandler, formerly a member of the staff of the National Council on Aging, to start the program. Ms. Chandler also celebrates her 30th anniversary with the organization.

Search and Care provides a practical response to the difficulties faced by frail older people living alone. In the past 30 years the agency has worked with over 5,500 elderly homebound people. This year the organization will assist 350 men and women whose median age is 82, most of whom have no family living nearby.

Search and Care is an invaluable resource for the elderly citizens of my community. Its dedicated professional staff, interns and volunteers provide crucial help with the myriad tasks of daily living including shopping, paying bills, getting to the doctor, housekeeping and looking after pets. This social service agency also intervenes with skilled care management in health, emotional, and financial situations that might otherwise mean the end of independent living for these senior citizens.

Over the years, Search and Care has accomplished this important work through the commitment of some of the finest and most dedicated citizens of New York. The work of these extraordinary people has developed into a model community-based care management program that meets the individually complex and changing needs of the elderly.

Mr. Speaker, in recognition of these outstanding achievements, I salute Search and Care and I ask my fellow Members of Congress to join me in recognizing the great contributions of this tremendously dedicated community organization.

RECOGNITION OF PATRICK SMITH

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishment of Patrick Smith, a senior at Tussey Mountain High School in Saxton, PA. Patrick won first place in the Voice of Democracy essay contest sponsored by the Saxton Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4129. The theme of the contest was "Reaching Out to America's Future." Patrick's essay focused on the ways in which America's youth are taught the values of freedom and are encouraged to become active members of their communities.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars' Voice of Democracy contest is an excellent way in which young people can express their patriotism. The Voice of Democracy contest celebrates