

Bay Area Council, USAID, and, most importantly, the team of American volunteers and their Russian counterparts who have worked together to develop new models for promoting tolerance and diversity.

We have all witnessed the tragic consequences of ethnic hatred and religious intolerance. It is our solemn obligation to work together to ensure that tolerance and understanding prevails. I commend and congratulate the Climate of Trust Program of the Bay Area Council for Jewish Rescue and Renewal for their tireless efforts in these areas, and I look forward to working with them again in the future.●

HONORING BETTY FRIEDAN

● Ms. MIKULSKI. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of my friend, Betty Friedan. She opened the minds of Americans to the possibility of a new role for women in our country. She provided the spark that has helped make the ambitions of so many women come true.

This spark helped me realize my own dreams. It allowed me to become a social worker, a Baltimore City councilwoman, a U.S. Congresswoman, and now a U.S. Senator. Betty Friedan's spark inspired women to realize our full potential.

Betty Friedan was born Betty Goldstein in Peoria, IL, in 1921. She graduated summa cum laude from Smith College in 1942 before accepting a fellowship for graduate study in psychology at the University of California, Berkeley. She did not finish her fellowship at Berkeley, however, because a male friend at the time discouraged her from doing so. This may have been the beginning of Betty Friedan's awareness of the troubled station women were expected to fill.

In 1947, Betty Goldstein married Carl Friedan. The newlyweds moved to a home in suburban New York and started a family. It was during this time that Ms. Friedan began to consider why she and so many of the women she knew yearned for more choices on how to live their lives. Her book, the "Feminine Mystique", is considered one of the most influential works of the 20th century. In it, she examined the issues of limited choices and limited career prospects for American women. "The Feminine Mystique" changed the face of America.

"The Feminine Mystique" challenged American society to reevaluate the role of women in our country. The feminism that Betty Friedan embraced provided a spark for people like me to speak up and speak out.

Ms. Friedan founded the National Organization for Women in 1966, where she served as the first president, before going on to found NARAL in 1969.

Two years later, I entered my first race for public office and won a seat on the Baltimore City Council. I then joined Betty Friedan, Gloria Steinem and many other women in founding the National Women's Political Caucus.

Betty Friedan paved the way for women when she wrote "The Feminine Mystique" and she devoted the rest of her life to the cause of equality, vaulting it to the forefront of the American conscience. Ms. Friedan was an unwavering advocate for equality, justice, women, and positive change.

I honor Betty Friedan for her courage and her creativity—and thank her for all that she did for me and for women everywhere.●

KETCHIKAN CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

● Ms. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I rise today to honor a very special person: Sherrie Slick of Ketchikan, AK, who was recently named Citizen of the Year by the Greater Ketchikan Chamber of Commerce during its annual banquet on January 14, 2006.

This year's award was given based on community service and volunteerism. Before her name was announced, Alaska's Governor described volunteers as "quiet heroes who often are taken for granted because they're always there and doing their jobs, and doing something for someone else is reward enough for them." For those who know Sherrie, the "quiet" part of that description doesn't quite fit—but in every other respect, that was an almost perfect description of one of the most energetic and active people I know—a woman who could have been the model for the "Energifizer Bunny."

I have known Sherrie for many years. I have been the recipient of her hospitality and now have the pleasure of working with her in her capacity as the community representative for the Alaska congressional delegation. When you need to know what is new, what is hot, and what is happening in town, she is the woman to know.

Sherrie is a 32 year resident of Ketchikan with two children who attended the local schools. She is now immersed in her role as a grandmother and loving it. Her dedication to family, community, and career is universally recognized by friends and associates.

Sherrie served on the local chamber of commerce's board of directors for 9 years, including a stint as president, and continues to be active on the chamber's transportation committee. She has spent 8 years on the Ketchikan Visitors Bureau's board of directors, including a year as its chairman, and is a member of the group's marketing committee. She served on the Ketchikan Overall Economic Development Committee for 4 years. She participates each year in the development of Ketchikan's legislative priorities and travels to Juneau as a representative of the community to lobby the Alaska legislature for support on local projects.

Sherrie put in many hours as the community organized public workshops and meetings for the Gravina Access Project. She helped provide information that was key to advancing the growth and economic development of

the Ketchikan Shipyard and remains an active supporter of the Ketchikan elements of the southeast Alaska power intertie. She helped facilitate the planning and preparation that helped bring the NOAA research vessel *Fairweather* to Ketchikan. For years, she has gone far beyond the requirements of her job in counseling and providing information to local fishermen on high seas drift net legislation, the Pacific Salmon Treaty, and innumerable other issues of concern.

Sherrie has played active roles with Ketchikan Theatre Ballet, Ketchikan Soccer League, Ketchikan Killer Whales Swimming Club, Campfire Girls, Boy Scouts, Little League Baseball, and Junior High and the KayHi Drill Teams.

Finally, as the Alaska congressional delegation's "woman on the spot," she has been instrumental in assisting local governments, businesses, and individuals to prepare and advocate for Federal government actions. She is an outstanding liaison between the congressional delegation and its constituents, with an unparalleled understanding and knowledge not only of Ketchikan, but also of surrounding communities; and there is no one better at planning the details so that every visit from a delegation member goes smoothly and productively.

Sherrie is wise, energetic, and delightfully entertaining. Ketchikan could have picked no finer person for this honor, and I am very proud to know this fine Alaskan. Congratulations, Sherrie Slick, "Ketchikan Citizen of the Year."●

TRIBUTE TO MITCH MUSTAIN

● Mr. PRYOR. Mr. President, it is with the greatest pleasure that I rise today to honor an outstanding student athlete from Springdale, AR, Mitch Mustain. As I am sure many of you know, Mitch was named the 2005 Gatorade National High School Football Player of the Year and the Player of the Year on Parade Magazine's 43rd annual All-America High School Football Team. He received these awards not only for his outstanding leadership and athletic skill but also for his academic achievements and overall character.

During the 2005 season, senior quarterback Mitch Mustain led Springdale High School to a No. 2 national ranking and the State Class 5A title. He completed 190 passes for 3,817 yards and 47 touchdowns. He also rushed for seven scores and was sacked only twice. In the school's 54 to 20 state final win, Mitch connected on 17 passes for 5 touchdowns.

I also take this opportunity to say how proud and excited I am that Mitch Mustain has signed with my alma mater, the University of Arkansas. I foresee great things ahead for the Razorbacks.

Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join me today in "Calling the Hogs" in

recognition of this future Razorback's outstanding accomplishments. We all look forward to following Mitch's career and anticipate that he will make lasting contributions to his team and to the University of Arkansas.●

COLLECTION OF HEARTS CAMPAIGN

● Mr. SANTORUM. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the efforts of the Keystone Soldiers organization based in Fleetwood, PA. This all-volunteer organization provides continued support for our service members currently deployed overseas through letters, emails, phone calls, and care packages. Keystone Soldiers has most recently partnered with Boscov's department stores in an effort to collect valentines for deployed service members. The Collection of Hearts campaign is just a small part of their effort to remind our deployed troops that they have our continued support. I appreciate the patriotism of this organization in supporting our troops as they continue to serve our Nation.

Our brave service men and women are sacrificing so much for us; they are in harm's way each day, missing valuable time with their loved ones. Showing support by sending care packages, letters, and emails is a very small way to show our appreciation for their sacrifice.

I appreciate the selfless efforts of charitable organizations, such as Keystone Soldiers, for reminding our troops that they are appreciated. I encourage all Americans to show their support for our troops by lending your support to organizations such as these.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:11 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4297) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201(b) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006, and asks a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House: Mr. THOMAS, Mr. MCCREERY, Mr. CAMP, Mr. RANGEL, and Mr. STARK.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4456. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2404 Race Street in Jonesboro, Arkansas, as the "Hattie W. Caraway Station".

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 331. Concurrent resolution honoring the sacrifice and courage of the 16

coal miners killed in various mine disasters in West Virginia, and recognizing the rescue crews for their outstanding efforts in the aftermath of the tragedies.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 4456. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2404 Race Street in Jonesboro, Arkansas, as the "Hattie W. Caraway Station"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-5681. A communication from the Assistant Administrator, Office of Administration and Resource Management, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, (7) reports relative to vacancy announcements within the Agency; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5682. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Refractory Products Manufacturing" ((RIN2060-AM90)(FRL No. 8008-2)) received on February 8, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5683. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; State of Arizona; Finding of Attainment for Ajo Particulate Matter of 10 Microns or Less (PM10) Non-attainment Area; Determination Regarding Applicability of Certain Clean Air Act Requirements" (FRL No. 8029-2) received on February 8, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5684. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to Toxic Substances Compliance Monitoring Grants (TSCA section 28) Regulation" ((RIN2070-AJ24)(FRL No. 8031-4)) received on February 8, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5685. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 8027-9) received on February 8, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5686. A communication from the Architect of the Capitol, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on the Requirements of the Energy Act of 2005 Related to Congressional Facilities"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5687. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Impact of Energy Pol-

icy Act of 2005 Section 206 Rebates on Consumers and Renewable Energy Consumption, With Projections to 2010; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5688. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Data Collection in Response to Section 1404 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5689. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Plan to Ensure Continued Recovery and Storage of Greater-Than-Class C Low-Level Radioactive Sealed Sources that Pose a Security Threat Until a Permanent Disposal Facility is Available"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5690. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Energy Conservation Standards Activities"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5691. A communication from the Secretary of Energy and the Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting jointly, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Steps to Establish a Transmission Monitoring System for Transmission Owners and Operators Within the Eastern and Western Interconnections"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5692. A communication from the Executive Director, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Fees Schedule for Annual Charges for the Use of Government Lands" (Docket No. RM06-9-000) received on February 8, 2006; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5693. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prohibition of Energy Market Manipulation" (Docket No. RM06-3-000) received on February 8, 2006; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5694. A communication from the Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the Equal Access to Justice Act in Agency Proceedings" (RIN1094-AA49) received on February 08, 2006; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. ALLEN:

S. 2262. A bill to provide that pay may not be disbursed to Members of Congress after October 1 of any fiscal year in which all appropriations acts are not passed by Congress, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. DAYTON:

S. 2263. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to require that automobiles and light trucks manufactured after model year 2007 be able to operate on a fuel mixture that is at least 85 percent ethanol, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. 2264. A bill to provide enhanced consumer protection from unauthorized sales