

Although her work in the Democratic Party has been a major part of her civic involvement, it is not her partisan work that I want to acknowledge so much as it is her long involvement in the civic life of Adams County. In fact, if there could be a "Mrs. Adams County," it is Marie Steward. She is well known in Adams County through her involvement with her family, her neighborhood, organized labor and community activities.

Marie was born the youngest of eleven children in Minor, Kansas to John and Lena O'Brien. Her family lost their farm during the Great Depression and moved to live with her Uncle Benjamin. Marie graduated from Brewster High School, and has fond memories from this time of taking the train to Denver and stopping at the historic Oxford Hotel. She later moved to Sand Point, Idaho after marrying Mike Steward, a young man serving in the Navy. When Mike was discharged from service in World War II, he worked as a machinist for Ringsby Trucking, a company that owned the basketball team that later became the Denver Nuggets—and a team my father, Mo, used to play for. Mike and Marie were regular attendees at the games, and Marie was a key member of the Prospectors, a booster club for the team. She also volunteered at St. Vincent's Home for Orphans, where, thanks to Marie, no child ever went without a gift at Christmas.

Marie became politically active in northern Denver when she volunteered with her colleagues, Eileen Ray and Dolores Dickman. In 1954, the Stewards bought one of the first brick houses in Thornton, a new development project that was targeted for returning World War II soldiers and their families. Marie used skills learned in Denver politics and became a precinct committee person with her neighbor and long-time activist, Ed Lappart.

For many years, Marie 'ran' the Adams County Democratic Party Headquarters. She produced candidate literature and published the county newsletter, the GADFLY. Rumor has it that many Republicans would often drop by for a visit to see what Marie was serving volunteers for lunch. Marie made headquarters a fun place, and with her experience as a leader in the International Machinists Auxiliary, Marie served many meals and taught the basics of political participation.

She was elected as a delegate to county, congressional, and state committees, assemblies and conventions. At a mini-convention in Kansas City, Marie once met and dined with a young man named Warren Beatty. He told people later that he liked to "pal around" with Marie because she treated him like she treated everyone—for Marie every person is a celebrity.

Today, Marie's family includes her son Jim, who is retired from IBM/Lexmark and shares Marie's Thornton home; her daughter Anita; her husband Gary McCulloch and their four daughters and grandchildren. Not to be forgotten is "Cookie" the family rat terrier, who Marie walks several times during the day.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in acknowledging Marie Steward for her involvement in public life and for her bipartisan interest in treating people well.

She is an example of the heroic generation and an advocate of those values, like hard work and compassion for others, that represent the very best in politics—values that both Republicans and Democrats can celebrate together.

TRIBUTE TO DR. LYNN KLEIMAN MALINOFF, THE RECIPIENT OF THE 2007 WOMEN OF WESTLAND ATHENA AWARD

### HON. THADDEUS G. McCOTTER

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 12, 2007*

Mr. McCOTTER. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor and acknowledge Dr. Lynn Kleiman Malinoff, the recipient of the 2007 Women of Westland ATHENA Award.

Each year, the Women of Westland organization recognizes exemplary women in Wayne-Westland, Michigan, who have succeeded in reaching their full leadership potential. This year, Lynn is recognized for improving the lives of countless women in our community. In addition to being the Special Education Counselor at the Tinkham Center in the Wayne-Westland School District, she serves as a role model to female high school students through the Youth Mentorship Program, a program she initiated seventeen years ago to help children from disadvantaged homes. Lynn also assists women in families affected by alcoholism and volunteers at her Synagogue to mentor and work with adolescents and their parents.

For her legendary commitment to bettering our community, Lynn was recognized with the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention Award. The Institute for Museum & Library Services also recognized Lynn's Youth Mentorship Program at the White House. Her efforts have succeeded in promoting educated, strong, and independent families who can also achieve their full potential.

Madam Speaker, on February 10, 2007, Lynn's selfless dedication to the women, children, and families of Wayne-Westland will be duly recognized with the Women of Westland's highest commendation, the ATHENA Award. Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in applauding her work and in honoring her tireless service to our community and our country.

HONORING JAMES "AVON" FOGLE

### HON. RON LEWIS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 12, 2007*

Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to James "Avon" Fogle, a constituent from my home district, who is retiring this month as a veterans service officer at the "My Old Kentucky Home" American Legion Post 121.

A lifelong resident of Nelson County, Mr. Fogle graduated from Holy Cross High School in Holy Cross, KY and served his country as a United States Marine during World War II. He has been a member of the Bardstown American Legion Post 121 for the past 38 years, serving as a veterans service officer for the past 12 years. In this capacity he has spent many Friday mornings providing counseling and guidance to local veterans in need of assistance.

Mr. Fogle's devotion to others in his community extends well beyond his work at the American Legion. He is also a regular volun-

teer at the local St. Vincent DePaul Society and continues to serve as an election official for the Nelson County government.

It is my great privilege to honor James "Avon" Fogle today before the entire U.S. House of Representatives for his dedicated service to our Nation as well as to veterans and neighbors in the Bardstown community. He is an outstanding citizen worthy of our collective honor and respect.

RECOGNIZING ANDERSON'S FROZEN CUSTARD ON BEING NAMED THE CHEEKTOWAGA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2007 SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

### HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 12, 2007*

Mr. HIGGINS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Anderson's Frozen Custard as the recipient of the 41st Small Business of the Year award, given by the Cheektowaga Chamber of Commerce. Anderson's Frozen Custard has been given this honor because of the devoted efforts of its founders, Carl and Greta Anderson, who have transformed their small business into a successful and generous establishment in Western New York.

Carl, a Navy veteran, Greta, and their children Nels, Keith, and Holly Anderson, have transformed Anderson's Frozen Custard from a small New York City custard stand to a thriving business with several locations throughout Western New York due to their hard work and savvy business sense. The Andersons can credit much of their success to their ability to adapt their business to changing times and locations, as well as their dedication to making Anderson's a success.

Not only has Anderson's Frozen Custard succeed in the business world, but the company has also contributed to the Western New York community. Anderson's has worked to raise funds for organizations such as Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Camp Good Days and Special Times, and local schools. This commitment to maintaining both a successful business and community indicates the mark of a business deserving of this honor.

Madam Speaker, I ask that congratulations be extended to Anderson's Frozen Custard in receiving this honor because of its outstanding achievements in business and dedication to improving the lives of Western New York residents.

IN RECOGNITION OF CATHERINE BOHAN

### HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 12, 2007*

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Catherine Bohan, for her outstanding efforts in educating children, and for her lifelong commitment to family, colleagues, and friends.

Cathy has educated and enlightened our children and prepared them for life's journey