

has become an essential part of the health and well being of all residents of the Valley.

In addition to his support for Clinic Ole, Mr. Shafer also spearheaded the building of the Napa Valley Vinters Community Health Center. This facility houses not only Clinic Ole, but also the Sister Ann Community Dental Clinic, Napa Emergency Women's Services and also Healthy Moms and Babies, which provides pregnancy care, education and support to women in underserved communities. By seeing this project through to completion Mr. Shafer has helped to ensure that healthcare will be available to the underserved in a way that is both coordinated and accessible.

Madam Speaker, it is fitting at this time that we thank John Shafer for his commitment and dedication to helping others and his community. His efforts have ensured that thousands of residents in the Napa Valley have access to the best medical care for themselves and their children. The Making a Difference Award is only one reflection of what will surely be a legacy that will last for many years.

TRIBUTE TO PROFESSOR MARC
ZIMMER

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 4, 2007

Mr. COURTNEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Professor Marc Zimmer of Connecticut College for his outstanding achievements and contributions to local, national, and international academic communities. Marc was honored with a Professor of the Year award by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) and The Carnegie Foundation in Washington, D.C. on November 15.

Upon completing his undergraduate degree in chemistry at the University of Witwatersrand in South Africa, Marc moved to the United States where he earned his doctorate at Worcester Polytechnic Institute and worked as a postdoctoral fellow at Yale University. Marc remained in the academic community, continuing original research in the fields of chemistry and joining the Connecticut College faculty in 1990. Throughout this period, he served on numerous boards and committees in chemistry and related fields and was a featured lecturer at some of the most prestigious colleges and universities in the United States, Latin America, Europe, Asia, and Africa.

His publications in pioneering chemistry subjects have promulgated technological innovation, but just as importantly, inspired student involvement and interest. His most recent publication, "Glowing Genes", simplifies complexities of chemistry and biotechnology to a pedestrian relevancy and understanding. "Glowing Genes" explores the potential of green fluorescent protein (GFP), a glowing component in the *Aequorea victoria* jellyfish species, with detecting biological weapons, combating cancer, and improving agricultural production.

Academic faculties provide the foundation for education systems, and in turn, potential health, safety, and prosperity of our society. Professor Zimmer has proven to be an exemplary academic leader at Connecticut College, and more broadly through his contributions to

international chemistry curriculum. These contributions will undoubtedly ensure a healthier, safer, and more prosperous society for all. I ask my colleagues to join with me and my constituents in recognizing Professor Zimmer's outstanding accomplishments and contributions and welcome many more to come.

IN MEMORY OF SEAN TAYLOR

HON. KENDRICK B. MEEK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 4, 2007

Mr. MEEK of Florida. Madam Speaker, the poem below was written by poet and Capitol guide Albert Carey Caswell in honor of Sean Taylor, a Miami native and professional football player for the Washington Redskins. I rise with a heavy heart in mourning the tragic passing of Sean Taylor, a man with a bright future who left behind a loving family and scores of adoring football supporters and admirers. We pray for the Taylor family during this difficult and wrenching time. I hope these words provide some comfort to a grieving family. I humbly submit the following poem into the RECORD:

TAYLOR MADE

God Is Good, God Is Great!
All in his image, in what he has made . . .
All in what he creates!
To give to this world, in what we do . . . in
how we act . . . in all we say, to leave
behind to view!
Into our lives as sent . . .
Messages from our Lord, Taylor Made for all
of us of what life is meant . . .
To reach us, To teach us, To beseech us by
people, who in our time with us is
spent . . .
Taylor Made . . .
Beauty and The Beast!
As was Sean Taylor, number "21" . . . was
such a fine work of art to say the least!
For Sean Taylor, was Born To Run . . .
Upon, football fields of green . . . in Sunday
suns . . . in The NFL, as was this his
father's fine son!
As what our Lord had so begun . . .
A quiet and caring man, with but a calm and
steady hand!
Who high above all others, did stand . . . as
to his teammates' hearts and souls, he
ran!
Who on fields of green, brought forth such
roars throughout the stands . . .
A Man of passion . . .
Who to all hearts and souls, would so inspire
. . . as he would fashion!
A man of heart and soul, body and mind . . .
all in his short lifetime, so portrayed
in all his actions . . .
Not a hole but left by him!
But, perhaps a Void . . . that which may
never so be filled again?
For only such things in life, as left . . . by
those hearts who bring such inspiration
all in their short breaths!
A humble, quiet caring man . . .
Who in the spotlight, did not so wish to
stand . . . a family man!
Who upon fields of green, would turn into a
machine . . . creating one of The NFL's
greatest scenes!
For all that which is Good and Great! For all
that which our Lord so makes . . .
By his hand, Taylor Made . . . he creates . . .
Will not run, and Will not lie . . . with
hearts of gold, will so rise!

All in that moment of truth, of which now so
lies . . . but for their loved ones, will
so die!

Only, The Good Die Young! Now, in Heaven
Sean you run!

As so too have you, Sean our fine son . . .
now with all of those Angels, too
among!

As you are, but with all of those who have
flown, Up To heaven . . . with our
Lord, where you belong!

And in the coming years, on Sunday morn-
ings here . . .

Whenever, we think of you Sean . . . we'll
hear your voice beyond . . . all in our
tears!

Remembering how you lived life, remem-
bering how your soul burned bright . . .
as with you, we'll be near!

And what God has Taylor Made!

Hush . . . hush!

Hush . . . Little baby, Don't You Cry!

Because, one day up in heaven . . . once
again, you will gaze into your fine fa-
ther's eyes!

TRIBUTE TO CIRCUIT JUDGE
JERRY WINCHESTER

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 4, 2007

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, I want to bring to the notice of the House the long distinguished career of one of Kentucky's greatest attorneys, Jerry Winchester, who is returning to private life. His career spanned the wide expanses of the profession, from private practice to prosecuting attorney and judge. He was tough but fair, diligent and prepared—attributes that command the respect of anyone who has ever witnessed him in a courtroom.

Circuit Judge Jerry Winchester is leaving the bench after 20 years of deciding major civil and felony criminal cases—the murders, assaults, robberies and drug cases. He brought closure to victims and justice to perpetrators and there was nobody better.

His judicial circuit, made up of McCreary and Whitley Counties, has the highest case-load in Kentucky. Yet, he ran the court at a steady clip to handle the load, when it could have bogged down under less able leadership. He had few staff, and in the early years, none at all. He was the sole judge for over a decade and citizens counted on him alone for conducting speedy trials. This basic right, embodied in the sixth amendment of the Constitution, was upheld for thousands in southern and eastern Kentucky because of this one dedicated individual.

As the Commonwealth's prosecuting attorney in the 70's and 80's, Jerry Winchester was not interested in "running the numbers," or measuring success by how many people he put in prison. When offenders deserved harsh punishment, they got it. He weighed fairness and ethics to seek a punishment that fit the crime in those many cases where good judgment is the only thing that keeps justice from unraveling. The golden scales of justice were felt in the courtroom, it was witnessed over and over by judges, attorneys, victims, criminals and juries.

Before serving as Commonwealth's Attorney, Jerry was a high school teacher, an FBI