

He joined the department on January 31, 1994, and quickly became one of its most popular and respected officers.

Christopher grew up in my neighborhood, the Overbrook section of Philadelphia. I've known him and his family for years. He was that rare person that everyone loved. He never had a bad thing to say about anyone. He was kind, unselfish, and had a heart as big as all outdoors. He loved his community, he loved his country, and he loved being a police officer. But more than anything, he loved his family.

Cpl. Milito never took anything for granted and always gave his best at whatever he was doing. Over the course of his career, he received 28 letters of commendation, most notably for his participation in crime prevention presentations to youth. Cpl. Milito wasn't satisfied with only doing a great job; he also pushed to educate himself. A 1988 graduate of Lambert High School, he attended Community College of Philadelphia and earned a certificate in police training from Camden County College in 1994.

He attended Temple University at night to earn his Bachelor's Degree in criminal justice. And, he was just a few hours away from earning his Master's Degree in criminal justice at West Chester University when he was so tragically taken from us.

Madam Speaker, I know that my colleagues will join me in expressing our deepest condolences to his family, as well as thanking them for letting him brighten all of our lives.

HONORING RICHARD E. LINDNER

HON. JEAN SCHMIDT

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 20, 2010

Mrs. SCHMIDT. Madam Speaker, I rise to the honor the life of Richard E. Lindner—a Cincinnati business and philanthropic icon. The youngest son of Carl H. Lindner Sr. and Clara Ann Serrer, Richard was born on September 14, 1921 in Dayton, Ohio.

Growing up during the Depression, Richard learned the value of hard work. Together the Lindner Family created a successful chain of dairy stores. They opened their first United Dairy Farmers in 1940. Richard's first job was hauling milk from the surrounding country farms to the family dairy.

Richard left the family business to serve his country in World War II as a Navy non-commissioned officer in the Pacific Theater, where he was decorated for his service to his country.

He married Helen Victoria Gill of Lynn, Massachusetts in 1942. Together they had one son, Richard Jr., and three daughters, Charlene, Suzanne, and Carol.

In 1959, the Lindner family purchased Thriftway, a four-store grocery chain. Richard became Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of Thriftway Inc. Before selling the company in 1995, Thriftway had become the second-largest privately owned company in the Greater Cincinnati region.

Richard Lindner had an untiring passion for the people of Cincinnati. He is fondly remembered for his generosity, charity and for his amazing business acumen. His charitable giving is most notable around the University of

Cincinnati, but the list of those that benefited from his generosity reached nearly every corner of our community.

Madam Speaker, Cincinnati will dearly miss Richard Lindner. Fortunately, his legacy will live on through his children and grandchildren and the many institutions he endowed.

Please join me in sending condolences to his family.

HONORING PAUL BALES

HON. JOHN J. DUNCAN, JR.

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 20, 2010

Mr. DUNCAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a newspaper legend in my district and recognize his lifelong commitment to one of the greatest communities in the Nation.

Paul Bales recently retired as advertising major accounts executive at The Daily Times in Maryville, Tennessee. For the last 125 years, the people of Maryville and Blount County have turned to The Daily Times for news coverage that focuses on their community. Paul has been a part of this tradition for more than 50 years.

He began at The Daily Times as a paper carrier in the early 1950s, and through his determination, hard work, and devotion, he quickly rose through the ranks. Despite his challenging work, Paul devoted many hours to charity, including the Empty Pantry Fund which he headed. The Daily Times Publisher Max Croster said, "He's probably the most wonderful person I've ever known."

Madam Speaker, I urge my Colleagues and other readers of the RECORD to join me in congratulating Paul Bales on his retirement and contributions to The Daily Times and Blount County, Tennessee, community. I see no better way to honor Paul than to bring attention to a tribute that appeared in the The Daily Times on December 13, 2009, which is reprinted below.

BALES TO RETIRE

(By Linda Braden Albert)

Paul Bales, advertising major accounts executive at The Daily Times, has announced that he will retire from the newspaper as of Dec. 31. His duties will then be assumed by Quentin Anthony, who has been with the advertising department for more than 30 years.

Bales will continue to fill the role of Empty Pantry Fund chairman, however, and plans to stay actively involved in other community projects.

Bales began his career at The Daily Times as a paper carrier in the early 1950s when he was a high school student. Even at that young age, the irrepressible Bales showed his work ethic and expertise in sales.

"I started out with 17 customers on my route, and the circulation manager told me he wanted it to grow," Bales recalled recently at his office. "In no time flat, I had 73 customers. I did. I poured it on."

SEVERAL JOBS

Soon afterward, Bales was told the newspaper wanted to hire someone to roll papers, do general tasks and "plate the press," which involved attaching 30- to 35-pound plates to the press and clamping them down so they wouldn't come off during the printing process. The circulation manager asked Bales to come in and give it a try.

"At that time, I only weighed about 137 pounds, and I couldn't hardly pick it up

much less clamp it down on the press," Bales said. "I started walking out. If I couldn't do what they wanted me to do, they wouldn't hire me, of course. And he said, 'They told me to hire you regardless of what you could do or couldn't do,' because of all those customers I got, and it was a kind of a reward for that."

Bales might not have been able to plate the press, but he could do other jobs at the newspaper, and did, at the same time attending high school and working several other jobs. His schedule was school from 8:30 to 11 a.m., newspaper from 12 to 5 p.m., Luke's Pool Room from 6 to 12 p.m., bagging groceries on Sundays at a local corner store, and selling concessions at University of Tennessee ball games during home games.

LIKES TO DRAW

Bales said he wanted to be a cartoonist, and when he saw an advertisement for an art course through Art Instruction of Minnesota, he saved his money and paid the \$175 to take the mail-in cartoonist course. He was still in high school at that time.

"I could draw the bottom of characters real good, but I could never get the head in perspective the way it ought to be," he said. "There was another course in there in advertising, so I took that course."

When he graduated from that course, the publisher of The Daily Times asked Bales to create an advertisement using several components he would be given.

"I did that and he looked at me and said 'Congratulations. You are now a member of the advertising department,'" Bales said.

He has been in the advertising department ever since.

COMPASSION FOR OTHERS

Bales is well-known for his compassion for others. His parents, Fred and Gladys Bales, inspired him, but he always looked to his Grandmother Bales as the example he wanted to follow.

"She lived in Bales 'Holler' in Friendsville, and she was always, always, doing things for people," Bales said. "She had no money but she could do things for other people. She had a heart of gold."

At Christmastime, she would barter chickens and eggs for apples, oranges and nuts from the "rolling store," which brought supplies to the neighborhood, and give them to Bales and his siblings for Christmas.

"To make sure we were all divided equally, she would give us for each year of our age that number of walnuts, and apples and oranges," Bales recalled. "We always looked forward to that, and she also had orange slices. That was our Christmas."

Bales started his community service at the age of 6. He lived in the Alnwick community of Blount County and would take his dog to visit the residents of the Blount County Poor Farm, where William Blount High School stands today.

"I've always had compassion for other people," Bales said. "I wanted them to be able to pet the dog but I also wanted little knickknacks for them. I'd pick strawberries at this man's farm, and what little I got paid, I'd take to the little store there at Alnwick and buy cookies and take them over there to the Poor Farm. They really loved that."

Unfortunately, the strawberry picking didn't last too long. The farmer told Bales he was eating more than he was picking and let him go.

MARYVILLE/ALCOA JAYCEES

A turning point in Bales' life came when he was invited to attend a meeting of the Maryville/Alcoa Jaycees by one of the members.

"I told him that I didn't want to join anything," Bales said. "Then I asked him a