

no event, newsmaker, or story off his list of characteristic jokes, and his knack for simple one-liners lured patrons to Maker's Mark through thousands of unforgettable advertisements. The world responded to Bill's humor in a big way—by buying all the bourbon he could make and elevating Maker's Mark to a worldwide symbol of excellence.

Like the ads that graced pages across the world, Bill's instructions for production of his family's legacy were simple and clear—"don't screw it up." One of the few things Bill made no joke about during his tenure was that no amount of success could compromise the taste of each and every drop of bourbon.

Bill's world renowned success and innovative marketing techniques never lost sight of the home grown taste of Kentucky in each family-made bottle. The distillery in Kentucky remains the only spirits related National Historical Landmark in the world, and a tradition that Kentucky is proud to share. Under Bill's careful watch, no bottle of Maker's Mark traveled across the globe without bringing a piece of Kentucky pride with it.

During his 44 years long career with the family company, Mr. Samuels brought a piece of history and a piece of Kentucky to households, bars, and restaurants around the world. I congratulate my friend, Bill Samuels, on his extraordinary success throughout his time with Maker's Mark. Thank you, Bill, and best wishes for you in your next endeavors.

EIGHT IN TEN APPREHENDED ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS NOT PROSECUTED

HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 29, 2011

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, according to recent figures calculated by my Texas colleague JOHN CULBERSON, an illegal immigrant apprehended by Border Patrol agents during the last fiscal year had an eight in ten chance of never being prosecuted.

Specifically, in Fiscal Year 2010, nearly 450,000 illegal immigrants were apprehended by the Border Patrol. Of this amount, only about 73,000 were prosecuted, roughly 16 percent. This means that 84 percent of illegal immigrants taken into custody were never prosecuted!

And while the Obama administration claims the border is more secure than ever, a recent Government Accountability Office report found that efforts by Border Patrol to stop illegal crossings were "poor." In fact, it is estimated that there are three successful illegal crossings for every one thwarted. That means more than a million illegal immigrants enter the U.S. each year.

The border is never going to be secure until we enforce all of our immigration laws and turn off the jobs magnet that encourages illegal immigration. Allowing millions to evade our laws is unfair and hurts American workers and taxpayers.

RECOGNIZING MARCH AS
NATIONAL KIDNEY MONTH

HON. ADAM SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 29, 2011

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize March as National Kidney Month. This is an ideal time to renew the commitment to take action to stop kidney disease.

National Kidney Month observes the significance of kidney health and allows us to educate each other on methods of prevention, treatments, and potential cures for kidney disease. More than 26 million Americans have chronic kidney disease. Minority patients and communities including Hispanic, African-American, and Native-American populations are at an increased risk at developing the disease. While the rate of those affected by kidney disease is increasing, many individuals with kidney ailments go undiagnosed. Most people forego visiting a doctor until symptoms are severe and damages to the kidneys are irreparable. Kidney disease can be fatal to those who do not identify the symptoms of kidney failure. Every year, thousands die prematurely of cardiovascular problems linked to kidney disease where death could have been prevented in many cases.

In addition to the health effects of kidney disease, kidney failure can also be costly. Currently, less than one percent of all Medicare beneficiaries have some form of renal disease, yet the disease consumes nearly seven percent of the annual Medicare budget.

Prevention is the best approach at dealing with kidney disease. The most common risk factors are high blood pressure and diabetes, which can be controlled by diet, exercise, taking prescribed medication, and regular visits to a health care professional. National Kidney Month serves as an important reminder for individuals, especially minorities as well as those with hypertension and diabetes, to get their kidneys checked regularly.

In my district, the non-profit Northwest Kidney Centers provides testing opportunities at community events and provides important education to the public about kidney health and renal disease prevention.

Kidney disease is common, harmful, but treatable, especially if caught in time. Let's continue to work to stop kidney disease, save Medicare dollars, and save lives while doing it.

MALOREY BOPP

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 29, 2011

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Malorey Bopp for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Malorey Bopp is an 8th grader at Arvada K-8 and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Malorey Bopp is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perse-

verance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Malorey Bopp for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all her future accomplishments.

HONORING FALLEN MIAMI-DADE
OFFICERS ROGER CASTILLO AND
AMANDA HAWORTH

HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 29, 2011

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor the sacrifices of Officer Roger Castillo and Officer Amanda Haworth of the Miami-Dade Police Department, who lost their lives in the line of duty.

My prayers and our community's gratitude go to the families and loved ones of these two brave Americans.

I submit this poem in remembrance of Officers Castillo and Haworth, penned by Albert Caswell of the Capitol Guide Service.

BLUE ANGELS

Blue.. ..
Blue Angels. . . .
Blue Angels, in flight. . . .
New Angels, up in Heaven. . . , have arrived
on this very night. . . .
All there, for us in the darkest days of night!
Who for all of us, so wore that badge of
honor. . . oh so very bright!
Blue Angels, on earth. . . and now up in
Heaven all in flight!
As all of those wrongs they did so right!
Who to all of our lives, so brought their
light!
Living day to day, night to night!
Right on that edge of death, as did they. . . .
as they did so fight!
All out there on that thin blue line, but at
the very height!
At the very height of courage and faith, To
Serve and Protect!
As their most heroic Shield of Blue, for our
lives did so bless!
All, with families. . . living so very close!
Quiet heroes, who knew. . . that each moment
upon this earth...
But together, was but a gift. . . but which
meant the very most!
As why they so cherished life, as they would
toast!
As why with tear in eye, we stand here on
this very night!
As we look back on them now, we must now
so boast!
Such a gallant, woman and man!
Who for all of us, against the face of evil
they so stood. . . would so stand!
And away from danger they never ran, turning
evil into good. . . time and time
again!
Moments, are all we have. . . here upon this
earth!
Do we make a difference, all in our life's
worth?
What have we left behind, when we are gone?
What will live on, as ever live so on?
Who have we shielded, who have we saved?
All in our most brief lives as so portrayed!
And tonight as you lay your head down to
sleep. . . .
Across Miami, but comes a gentle rain to so
keep. . . .