

in the Gulf of Mexico and throughout the exclusive economic zone, specifically the Mid Atlantic Bight. In addition, an observer program for the Mid Atlantic Bight will be established and required for vessels operating during the period of June through September to monitor any net increase impacting billfish bycatch and bycatch mortality as well as any substantial net increase in the number of vessels or effort from the remaining pelagic longline vessels.

The Secretary shall submit a report to Congress three years following the time-area closures in the Gulf of Mexico evaluating the conservation effectiveness of the closures.

Within one year of enactment, all U.S. pelagic longline vessel covered under the HMS FMP shall be required to install Vessel Monitoring System equipment.

(3) Establishes Restrictions on Pelagic Longline Vessels in Mid Atlantic Bight: Permitted pelagic longline vessels fishing in the Mid Atlantic Bight from June through August shall not (1) increase their total effort by more than ten percent based on their total effort in the Mid Atlantic Bight from 1992 to 1997, and (2) increase days at sea in the Mid Atlantic Bight by more than ten percent based on average days at sea from 1992 through 1997.

(4) Pelagic Longline Vessel Permit Holder Compensation Program: The Act establishes voluntary pelagic longline vessel permit holder compensation program for 68 eligible vessels that fished at least 35% of their time in the Atlantic Swordfish Conservation Zone. Upon accepting the buyout, the permit holder surrenders all commercial fishing permits and licenses that apply to the eligible vessels, including any permits or licenses issued by the Federal Government or a State government or political subdivision. The bill authorizes \$15 million to be covered by appropriations as the Federal share and \$10 million for the direct loan program to be paid back by a 50-50 split between the commercial and recreational fishing sectors. The compensation will be a combination of a flat dollar amount plus the value of the highest landings in any one year between 1992 and 1998, defines landings, and requires documentation of landings value.

The Act also establishes a second voluntary buyout program called the Mid Atlantic Buyout Program. Permitted pelagic longline vessels that have landings of at least 40 percent in the Mid Atlantic Bight from the period of 1992 through 1997 would qualify. The compensation program shall be fair and equitable and shall be based on the compensation formula for the primary buyout program. The bill authorizes \$5 million for the buyout program.

#### PRAISING LLOYD COLLIER'S PUBLIC SERVICE AND COMMITMENT TO CITIZENS ACROSS THE 8TH DISTRICT

### HON. JOHN S. TANNER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 10, 1999

Mr. TANNER. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise and have spread on the pages of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, an article on Mr. Lloyd Collier of Dyersburg, Tennessee. The article adequately describes Mr. Collier's work at the Social Security Administration, as well as his outstanding service to his community.

Over the years, Mr. Collier has been of tremendous service to our office. His vast knowledge, and his willingness to share it with our staff, has been a valuable asset to the residents of the Eighth Congressional District. Just yesterday, he was instrumental in helping a constituent, who is stricken with cancer, obtain the benefits that are rightfully his. This is just one of the thousands of examples of the dedicated service he has aptly demonstrated during his 38 years of public service.

So, it is with appreciation for his service that I include the text of an article published in the Dyersburg State-Gazette under the headline, "He's making a difference."

[From the Dyersburg State-Gazette, Oct. 17, 1999]

#### HE'S MAKING A DIFFERENCE

At 60, most people are thinking about retirement and how big their Social Security checks might be.

Not Lloyd Collier.

He's more interested in making sure other people get all of the Social Security benefits they're entitled to receive. It's a job he's loved for more than 38 years.

Working first as a claims representative and now as the Northwest Tennessee district manager with the Social Security Administration, Collier said he's had countless opportunities to help people. One of his most memorable cases happened 33 years ago while he was a field representative in Florence, Ala.

"I'll never forget taking a survivor claim from a 13-year-old widow with one child less than 1 year of age," he said. The girl had become pregnant when she was 11, married at 12 and a widow at 13. Her 22-year-old husband, who had no life insurance, was killed in a motorcycle wreck.

"Social Security played a big part in the financial picture of that family," he said. "It's something that you don't forget. It's a rare case, but things like this happen all over the nation."

Ironically, Collier will never receive the same benefits he has helped to disburse over the years. A long-time federal employee, Collier is covered by a civil service retirement plan instead of Social Security.

Still, he's earnestly trying to help in his characteristically quiet way.

"I categorize him as being a quiet, dynamic person," friend Wendell West said. "He's not a flamboyant toastmaster-type person. (But) when you need a job to be done, he's going to do it efficiently and without a drum roll."

That description applies not only to Collier's job but also to the volunteer work he does with the Boy Scouts, the Civitan Club and his church.

Collier, who was hired by the Social Security Administration the day before his 22nd birthday, looks at his career as a wonderful birthday present.

"It's been a good opportunity, and I like working with people, trying to help them resolve problems," Collier said. "I love my job."

The career was happenstance. Collier—a man with a mechanical mind, a knack for math and a sharp attention to details—originally wanted to be a civil engineer.

Unfortunately, he couldn't afford to go to an engineering college. Instead, he pursued a bachelor's degree at his hometown college: Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, where he majored in math and minored in physics. Although his college advisor encouraged him to get a teaching certificate, Col-

lier wasn't too excited about being a teacher. He also opted to take the civil service exam.

The Social Security Administration called him in September 1961, just a few months after he graduated.

Even with the government job, Collier couldn't escape teaching. When he served as the assistant district manager in Dyersburg (a job he held from 1972-87), he was responsible for training new and promoted employees.

"He has always gotten strong, rave reviews on his ability to teach," said Bill McClure, deputy regional commissioner for the Social Security Administration's office in Atlanta. Collier's students reported being "very impressed with his overall knowledge of the program and his ability to communicate and effectively transfer that knowledge."

Collier also received high marks for his willingness to assist students on an individual basis, McClure said. Collier was asked to teach classes not only in Dyersburg but in other cities, as well.

It was Collier's attention to detail that helped make him a good teacher, an alert claims representative and now an outstanding district manager. "That's a lot of what makes him so successful, because so much of the (Social Security) law is detailed," McClure said.

Collier's cordial, gentle manner also has contributed to his success. McClure said Collier often shares information with fellow Social Security managers in Memphis, Jackson and Nashville and he works closely with other retirement-related agencies, such as a railroad retirement system.

"He is very professional in his approach to the public and he represents us very effectively in the community," McClure said.

Collier puts his teaching skills to work on a regular basis as a volunteer with the Boy Scouts.

"He's just as tolerant and patient of the boys as you can get." Troop 87 assistant scoutmaster Franklin Robertson said. "One of the major things is at the times you prepare meals. He assists, directs and encourages the Scouts to prepare their meals. I've never seen anything but patience.

"He works with the Scouts until they develop the skills they need."

Edgar Shults, also a leader in the local Boy Scout program agreed with Robertson. He said Collier is "real good with the boys. If he weren't, he wouldn't be in it. He's a good, easy-going person and he enjoys working with people."

While Collier still attends Troop 87's weekly meetings and joins them on camping trips, he also shares his knowledge with Scouts from all over West Tennessee.

Collier holds knot-tying classes each year during the Cub Scout day camp at Dyersburg State Community College and started the sailing program at Camp Mack Morris, a residential Scout camp near Kentucky Lake.

For one week each summer between 1989 and 1995, Collier introduced young boys to the thrills and quiet pleasures of sailing. Using his own 17-foot O'Day Sailor II, Collier taught the boys to hoist sails, to maneuver the boat and to turn the boat right-side-up if it ever turned over.

The last lesson proved quite important one summer. A crosswind caught the boat's sails and tipped it over. Collier said he and the five Scouts on board knew what they needed to do. They crawled on top of the keel and pulled. Ideally, the sailors' weight would push the keel down into the water while they pulled the mast back up. They had one small problem.

"It's just that the six of us didn't weigh enough to get the job done," Collier said.

A road crew working on the lake shore saw the struggling Scouts and called a nearby marina for help. The sailboat was towed into shallow water, where it was easier for the Scouts to right the boat.

Today, Camp Mack Morris has a fleet of six sailboats. The instructors are graduates of Collier's first sailing course.

Instead of attending Camp Mack Morris for the last four summers, Collier and his wife have traveled to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico and participated in training programs for adult leaders.

Collier has served as a Webelos leader, a cubmaster, an assistant scoutmaster and district commissioner in the past. This year, he's chairman of the Davy Crockett District of Boy Scouts.

Collier believes the Scouting program gives boys skills that will last a lifetime. "I think it is a very worthwhile program for boys, and it is a program we need to promote health young men become better citizens," he said.

"We teach a lot of first aid in Scouting, and I have seen young men and boys use the training they learned in Scouts to help someone at a later time in a medical emergency," he said. "I've also seen young men become involved in civil opportunities because of what they learned about in Scouting."

Robertson said he's seen young boys change their attitudes after becoming involved in Scouts and feeling Collier's influence and gentle guidance.

"He certainly provide a leadership role and is a model for the young boys," Robertson said.

Collier also takes a leadership role in the Civitan Club.

Active for the last 31 years, Collier has held every position from chairman of the local fruitcake fund-raiser to lieutenant governor of the Valley District, which stretches from the Mississippi River east to the Cumberland Gap. This year, he's the Area 9 director.

Collier has recruited 25 new members into the club. "That's like recruiting a club in itself," Wendell West said.

The club focuses on helping disadvantaged adults and children, participates in the Special Olympics and provides birthday cakes each month for those at the Developmental Skills Center. Collier said he likes being involved in those projects as well as the clubs "ideals of wanting to make this a better place to live."

He pointed to the fact that the club helped secure the funding for a greenhouse at the Developmental Skills Center 12 years ago. The greenhouse has opened new avenues for the center's clients.

"Who knows. One of these days, one of those people may be able to manage a greenhouse of his own," Collier said. "We've just got to put a spark on some tender and let it go from there."

Collier's life is distinguished by his dedication and genuine interest in other people, long-time friend and fellow church member R.H. "Red" Bond said.

"I don't know anyone I respect more highly than him," Bond said. "Anytime you need someone to step in and be a leader, he's more than ready. In the church, he has served on the leading committees. He's not just one who sits back. He's one who's willing to take a leading role."

Collier has held a number of positions at First United Methodist Church in

Dyersburg—Sunday school teacher, member of the church finance committee, member of the church nominations committee and member of the pastor-parish committee.

Lay leadership, such as that demonstrated by Collier, is the lifeblood of the church, Bond said. "The church couldn't exist if it didn't have lay people who were willing to supervise the activities of the church."

Even when he's not serving in an official capacity, Collier's ready to help others. He's known for growing vegetables and sharing them with friends and acquaintances.

Collier said he started gardening in 1971 because it offered a "good release of energy" and helped him get rid of any frustrations he might have. At the time, he lived in the Belair subdivision and gardened inside a submerged pool that had been filled with dirt.

Today, Collier tends a large plot of tomatoes, lima beans, green beans, squash, okra and other vegetables on a grassy plain near the main dam at Lakewood subdivision. His garden is commonly mistaken as a community garden, and Collier said he sometimes finds people there, picking bags full of produce. (The garden just happens to be located in the same spot where Lakewood developer Jere Kirk used to plant corn for the subdivision residents.)

The close proximity of water serves Collier well. He said he has watered the garden only once since the fourth of July. The plants produced plenty of vegetables this year, despite the fact that Dyer County received no significant rainfall for almost three months.

Collier's continuing interest in helping his neighbors and his community is remarkable in itself.

Often, people join an organization and put a lot of energy into it in the beginning. At some point, though, their enthusiasm dwindles and they stop contributing.

Collier "doesn't seem to have that attitude," West said. "Service to the community is still part of his life."

Why does Collier have such staying power? West suspects he's guided by his faith.

There's an old saying that goes: "Our life is God's gift to us and what we do with our lives is our gift to God." Perhaps, West said, Collier is living his life that way.

"He's making a difference by being actively involved in making it a better world," West said.

#### FAMILY BACKGROUND:

Lloyd Hadden Collier was born Sept. 6, 1939, in Clarksville. He was the older of two sons born to Lloyd Nelson Collier, a mail carrier, and his wife, Grace Hadden Collier, a registered nurse.

When it came to celebrating birthdays, early September was a big time for the Collier family. Grace Collier's birthday was on Sept. 4, and the younger son, David Collier, was born on Sept. 5, exactly 365 days after Lloyd Hadden Collier was born. If it hadn't been a leap year, the two boys would have shared birthdays on Sept. 6.

#### FAMILY MATTERS:

Collier met Barbara Nichols, the woman who would become his wife, while he was in college. He was president of the Methodist Student Association and she was a fellow student. Their friendship blossomed into a romance and they married two years later in August 1962.

They have a daughter, three sons, a granddaughter and two grandsons.

Their daughter, Heidi Collier Johnson, is an accountant with the University of Tennessee medical system in Memphis.

Lloyd "Hadden" Collier Jr. is employed in research and development at Dyersburg Fabrics Inc.

Latham Collier and Lawrence Collier are twins. Latham Collier works as a draftsman with Centex Forcum Lannom, and Lawrence Collier is a chemical engineer in the Dyersburg Fabrics dye lab.

#### EDUCATION

Collier grew up in Clarksville, where he attended Howell School and graduated in 1957 from Clarksville High School.

In 1961, Collier received a bachelor's degree from Austin Peay State University in Clarksville with a major in math and a minor in physics.

Collier had wanted to become a civil engineer, but tough times financially prevented him from attending an engineering school. He followed the advice of his college advisor, who encouraged him to get a temporary teaching certificate. However, he didn't really want to teach and never pursued a teaching career.

#### EMPLOYMENT

Collier's first post-college job was as a land surveyor. It rained so much that summer he managed to complete only five full weeks of work—a fact that convinced him he couldn't depend on surveying for a livelihood.

His salvation came in September when the Social Security Administration called him about a job opening in Nashville. Collier, who had taken the civil service exam while still in college, was hired as a claims representative the day before his 22nd birthday. "I like to think this job was a birthday present many years ago," he said.

As soon as he finished the Social Security training class, the draft board ordered Collier to report for a physical. Only six of the 24 men who underwent physicals that day passed; Collier was one of them. Because of the potential he would be ordered to serve in the military, the Social Security Administration kept Collier in the Nashville office, where it would be easier to cover his absence. The Berlin Conflict ended before Collier was called into the military.

Three years later, in 1964, Collier transferred to the Knoxville office as a claims representative. He worked there for a year before being promoted to a field representative position in Florence, Ala. He traveled four days a week into the rural areas, helping people file social security claims, participating in radio shows, giving speeches and distributing public information.

He came to Dyersburg as the Social Security Administration's operations supervisor in January 1968. He was promoted to assistant manager of the Dyersburg office in October 1972 and manager in February 1987.

Because the Dyersburg office is actually a district office covering 10 counties, Collier is supervisor of offices in Dyersburg, Union City and Paris.

#### HOBBIES

Shortly after college, Collier bought a 12-foot Styrofoam sailboat and discovered a life-long hobby. It all started with a fascination for the physics of sailing and a desire to know how a sailboat worked. He taught himself how to sail by reading a number of books and then launching his sailboat on Old Hickory Lake near Nashville.

These days, Collier sails a 17-foot fiberglass sailboat that can accommodate up to six people. Although he's been known to launch at Lakewood subdivision, Collier usually plies the waters of Kentucky Lake.

"I like the ability to get out on the water without any type of mechanical equipment," he said, noting he enjoys the quiet form of relaxation. It allows him to meditate.

In addition to sailing, Collier said he enjoys gardening, traveling and getting involved in the community.

## ACTIVITIES

A former Boy Scout himself, Collier re-entered the world of scouting when his oldest son joined the program years ago. Collier served as his son's Webelos leader, then as cubmaster, assistant scout master and eventually as a district commissioner. Last summer, he was elected chairman of the Davy Crockett District of Boy Scouts.

Collier established the sailing program at Camp Mack Morris, a Boy Scout camp near the Tennessee River in Benton County.

Collier is a graduate of the Wood Badge training program for adult scout leaders and attends the adult training sessions each summer at Philmont Scout Ranch near Cimarron, N.M.

In 1996, he received the Silver Beaver Award from the West Tennessee Area Boy Scout Council for distinguished service to youth. He also earned District Awards of Merit for his work both as a Cub Scout leader and as a Boy Scout leader. He was given the honorary title of permanent patrol leader for the Busy Beaver patrol in the Wood Badge Training program.

Collier joined the Dyersburg Civitan Club in March 1968 cause he believed it would provide an opportunity to serve the community. He ended up also serving the club as the Valley District (middle and west Tennessee) lieutenant governor this past year, as president in 1977-78 and in 1994-95, as secretary-treasurer several times and as fruitcake sales chairman in 1980. In August, he was selected as the "Lieutenant Governor of the Year," beating out 12 other potential winners in the district. In the fiscal year that started this month, Collier will serve as the Civitan Clubs' Area 9 director.

Active in First United Methodist Church, Collier serves on the church finance committee and as a Sunday school teacher and participates in the men's chorus. He formerly was a member the church's nominations committee, the paster-parish relations committee and served as chairman of the administrative board.

In addition, Collier serves as chairman of the craft advisory committee for the office occupations division of the Tennessee Technology Center at Newbern; serves on the advisory committee for typing, shorthand and secretarial science at Dyer County High School; and is a former chairman of the local advisory board for the Tennessee Vocational Training Center in Dyersburg.

## QUOTE

"If I have (a motto), it's part of the Civitan creed: 'To follow the golden rule and to make it pay dividends both material and spiritual.'"

TRIBUTE TO COMMANDER BRIAN  
NUTT, USN

**HON. CURT WELDON**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 10, 1999

Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Commander Brian Nutt, who for the past two years has served as the Deputy Director of the House Liaison Office of the Navy Office of Legislative Affairs. Commander Nutt will soon be leaving Capital Hill to attend Prospective Commanding Officer Training, and will eventually take over as the Commanding Officer of the U.S.S. *Bremerton* (SSN 698) stationed in San Diego, CVA.

As the Chairman of the House Armed Services Research and Development Subcommittee, I have relied heavily upon Commander Nutt's support for some of my most important endeavors. In the last year, I have traveled on several Congressional delegations with Commander Nutt. During these trips, I worked to foster improved relations between the United States and Russia. The success of my endeavors was in no small part due to the contributions of Commander Nutt.

I am not alone in my deep respect for Commander Nutt. He has made many friends here on Capitol Hill with Members of Congress on both sides of the aisle. Each and every Member of Congress who has worked with him has come away with a better understanding of how the decisions which we make in this House will affect the men and women who protect and serve our nation. Commander Nutt's skill and dedication have reflected well on him and all of our men and women in uniform.

Commander Nutt has consistently worked to remind this Congress that we must support our troops. No nation has ever been defeated because it is too strong, and we must understand that one of our most important responsibilities outlined in the Constitution is the defense of the American people, wherever they might be, at home or abroad. Leaders like Commander Nutt have made our military the envy of the world.

I ask my colleagues to join me in bidding him farewell, and in wishing him continued success as he embarks on his newest journey to protect our country's national security.

I would like to submit for the RECORD a history of Commander Nutt's service to the United States:

Commissioned through Officer Candidate School in Newport, RI (Nov 82)  
Completed Nuclear Power School in Orlando, FL (Jun 83)  
Completed Prototype Reactor Operation Training in Idaho Falls, ID (Dec 83)  
Completed Submarine Officer Basic Training in New London, CT (Mar 84)  
Junior Officer Sea Tour—U.S.S. *New York City* (SSN 696), Pearl Harbor, HI (Apr 84-Feb 87)  
Received my Dolphins (qualified "Submarines") Jun 85  
Completed Submarine Officer Advanced Course in New London, CT (Mar-Sep 87)  
Served as Weapons Officer on U.S.S. *Louisville* (SSN 724), San Diego, CA (Oct 87-Oct 89).  
Served as Submarine Liaison Officer on the staff of Commander, Cruiser-Destroyer Group THREE, San Diego, CA (Nov 89-Nov 91)  
Served on the Combat Systems Training Team conducting submarine weapons certification, San Diego, CA (Nov 91-Oct 93)  
Served as Radiological Controls Officer on the submarine tender, U.S.S. *Frank Cable* (AS 40) in Charleston, SC (Nov 93-Feb 95)  
Served as Executive Officer on U.S.S. *Puffer* (SSN 652) in San Diego and then decommissioned her in Bremerton, WA (Apr 95-Jun 96)  
Served as Executive Officer on U.S.S. *Alabama* (SSN 731) in Bangor, WA (Jul 96-Sep 97)  
Served as Officer of Legislative Affairs, Deputy Director, House Liaison Office (Nov 97-Dec 99)

Commander Nutt's inspirational leadership, breadth of vision, and complete success have earned the award of the Meritorious Service Medal for his superb accomplishments

TRIBUTE TO FATHER PIO OLIVA  
GOTTIN

**HON. BARNEY FRANK**

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 10, 1999

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I was saddened to learn yesterday of the death of Padre Pio Oliva Gottin. Nho Padre Pio, as he was known to many, was a pastor of St. Patrick's Church in Roxbury, Massachusetts, and was one of the most respected and dedicated leaders of the Cape Verdean Community both in the United States and in the Republic of Cape Verde. A native of Italy, and a missionary of the Order of Capuchins, he devoted his pastorate and life to responding to the needs of the community, and he was an important spokesman and advocate of the Cape Verdean-American and Cape Verdean immigrant people living in the Northeast, and in particular, Massachusetts. As a Member of the U.S. Congress, with the proud honor of representing one of the largest Cape Verdean-American constituencies in the United States, it is with great sadness that I join his family, friends, the members of his congregation, and the entire Cape Verdean Community both here and abroad in remembering and paying tribute to Padre Pio for his decades of valuable contributions to the spiritual and cultural life of the Cape Verdean people from around the world. Mr. Speaker, I ask that the statement by the Prime Minister of Cape Verde, Dr. Carlos Alberto Wahnnon Veiga, on the death of Padre Pio Oliva Gottin, be printed in translated form.

TRANSLATION—OFFICE OF THE PRIME  
MINISTER, GOVERNMENT COMMUNIQUE

The People and Government of Cape Verde learned with profound sadness and regret of the death, yesterday afternoon, of FATHER PIO, a missionary with eminent qualities and a great friend of Cape Verde and particularly of the Brava Island and its people.

The Catholic Church and the People of Cape Verde lost a man of great stature, a friend and protector of the poor.

FATHER PIO, a native of Italy, came to Cape Verde as a young missionary from the Capuchin Order doing his work mostly in the Brava island where he gained much respect and admiration.

In the process, on that island, "Nino Padri", as he was affectionately called, tirelessly sought to respond to the needs of the disenfranchised by creating conditions for self-improvement and social integration through education and training.

This is how the "Escola Materna de Nova Sintra", founded by Father Pio, has assumed such an important role in numerous professional arenas such as carpentry, secretarial and others which today still have a relevant role in the Braven Community.

Even though he resided in the United States in the last few years, he continued his missionary work with the Cape Verdean community for whom FATHER PIO continued to be a point of reference.