

in Santa Maria, California, and in my congressional district, for the recent completion of a new Co-Generation Energy Plant. This truly is a win-win project that will benefit our community and the environment.

With skyrocketing energy costs, it's very important now that we develop alternative methods of generating electricity. The Marian Medical Center Co-Generation Energy Plant system works by capturing toxic methane gas run-off from the Santa Maria Municipal Landfill and piping it to an energy plant recently built on the hospital campus where it is converted to clean electrical energy.

Piping gas from the landfill to power the hospital will significantly reduce methane emissions and offset the use of non-renewable resources, such as natural gas and oil. The energy plant will also result in significant energy and cost savings for the hospital. It will supply all but 50 kilowatts of the energy necessary to power the medical center and is expected to achieve an annual electrical cost savings of nearly \$350,000. Finally, the cogeneration project will provide benefits to the City of Santa Maria, which will be able to make use of and receive revenue for an otherwise unused, potentially toxic resource.

I am so proud that Marian Medical Center is one of only a handful of healthcare facilities in the nation to be powered by co-generated energy. This project is the result of a unique partnership and I want to commend Marian Medical Center and the City of Santa Maria for serving as a role model for other organizations in our community.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 50TH
ANNIVERSARY OF SPAAMFAA

HON. JAMES T. WALSH

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. WALSH of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 50th anniversary of the Society for the Preservation and Appreciation for Motorized Fire Apparatus in America (SPAAMFAA).

In 1958, SPAAMFAA was founded in Syracuse, New York by Dick Horstmann to serve as a way to preserve antique fire apparatus and promote an appreciation for fire service history. Since its conception the society has grown to include more than 3,000 members in over 50 chapters across the globe and it is still going strong today.

On behalf of the people of the 25th district of New York I congratulate Dick Horstmann and all the members of SPAAMFAA for a successful 50 years and wish them continued success in the future.

TRIBUTE TO GEORGE F. ROZELLE

HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. BRADY of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of George F.

Rozelle III. Mr. Rozelle recently left this earth and joined his Heavenly Father.

A native of Fort Worth, Texas, Mr. Rozelle was a proud Texan and Longhorn fan even when life took him to other parts of the country. After growing up in Arlington and attending Arlington High School he went on to graduate from the University of Texas at Arlington. The business degree he earned at UT—Arlington served him well as he quickly started his career with the Junior Chamber of Commerce and began to climb the Chamber ladder.

After moving to Arizona and marrying Marty, he joined the Fiesta Bowl Committee in 1979. He played a critical role in turning the Fiesta Bowl into one of the premier sporting events in the world; he served on the Board of Directors for six years.

Mr. Rozelle's lifelong passion was serving others and his community. Besides his time with the Fiesta Bowl, he was the President of the Arizona Club, Executive Director of the Arizona chapter of the American Roads and Transportation Builder's Association and spent time with the Arizona Corporation Commission.

Mr. Rozelle was best known for his smile, easy going sense of humor, and his ability to make everyone feel comfortable. His friends and family will also miss his skill in the kitchen; a true gourmet, he was written up in the Arizona Republic for his ability and participation in a local gourmet cooking group.

George is survived by his loving and faithful wife of 31 years, Dr. Martha Rozelle, their daughters, Deborah and Vicki; son George; granddaughters Brooke, Janessa, Joni, Julie, Katy; and grandsons, Chris and Braydn.

Madam Speaker, I thank the House of Representatives and America for joining me in honoring the life of George F. Rozelle III and offering our prayers and condolences to his family and friends.

McCUTCHEON HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL TEAM—INDIANA STATE CHAMPIONS

HON. STEVE BUYER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. BUYER. Madam Speaker, on Tuesday, June 10, 2008 the McCutcheon High School Softball team won the Indiana 4A softball state title. The Mavericks of McCutcheon narrowly defeated Franklin Central High School 2-1.

This was McCutcheon's first state championship in any girls sport though this year marked their third state finals and second championship game in four years.

This victory did not come easy for McCutcheon. Mother Nature intervened in their path to the championship. On Friday, June 6, 2008 lightning forced the semifinal game to be postponed. The next day, rain washed the game out. Finally, on Sunday they were able to start their semifinal game against LaPorte only to have it suspended after 4 innings. When the game was suspended, the Mavs had the lead.

Due to the weather, the Lady Mavs were forced to play a doubleheader on Tuesday.

They finished their semifinal game against LaPorte, and then carried that momentum into the State Championship game against Franklin Central.

It is difficult to play a doubleheader under any circumstances, much less a championship atmosphere, but McCutcheon was up for the challenge. They were trailing in the bottom of the fourth inning when junior Tristan Wilcox knocked in the tying run with an RBI single, and then Maggie Tull scored the go-ahead run.

Pitcher Tori Collins was able to secure the victory by holding Franklin Central off to 5 hits and struck out 11 batters the whole game. These young ladies showed amazing determination against adversity and drive. After three years of almost achieving the ultimate victory, the Mavs achieved their ultimate goal.

I would like to extend my congratulations to the McCutcheon High School softball team and coaching staff:

Seniors: Tori Collins, Kristen Garza, Kendra Julian and Maggie Tull. Juniors: Maggie House, Brittany Keller, Megan Millikan, Angel Neal, Kelsey Rummel, Kaylee Smith, Meg Teller and Tristan Wilcox. Sophomores: Sarah Copley, Megan Gray and Stephanie Martin. Freshmen: Cassie Leuck and Dani Owens. Head Coach: Jim Bates. Assistant Coaches: Dan Bowsher, Larry Clark, Kayla Doyle, Kathryn Madary and Sarah Haggerty.

CONGRATULATING ARMSTRONG
ATLANTIC STATE UNIVERSITY'S
PIRATES

HON. JACK KINGSTON

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. KINGSTON. Madam Speaker, today I rise along with the city of Savannah in congratulating the Armstrong Atlantic State University's men's and women's tennis teams. Both squads were named National Champions in the 2008 NCAA Division II Tennis Tournament held on May 17th in Houston, Texas.

It is rare for one university to obtain two national titles in the same season much less the same sport, but the Pirates managed to accomplish this feat. Brigham Young University was the last school to achieve such success in 2003.

The Lady Pirates beat Lynn University of Boca Raton, Florida, to achieve their fourth National Championship. The undefeated Men's team swept Barry University of Miami Shores, Florida, earning the University its first ever NCAA title in Men's athletics.

Both teams are coached by Simon Earnshaw.

I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Armstrong Atlantic State University's Men and Women's Tennis Teams for their remarkable accomplishments, and Go Pirates!

Women's 2007-2008 Roster:

Martina Beckmann, Sophomore, Bonn, Germany; Johanna Dahlback, Senior, Hasselby, Sweden; Sofia Haggstrom, Senior, Taby, Sweden; Alisa Kagukina, Sophomore, Nikolayev, Ukraine; Gabriella Kovacs, Sophomore, Szazhalombatta, Hungary; Alida Mueller-

Wehlauf, Freshman, Flensburg, Germany; Iuliia Stupak, Senior, Kiev, Ukraine.

Assistant Coach—David Secker, Volunteer Assistant Coach—Zsafia Golopenca.

Men's 2007–2008 Roster:

Rafael Array, Freshman, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain; Christian Bergh, Sophomore, Oslo, Norway; Paul Bishop, Junior, Whitwell, England; Robert Jendelund, Senior, Huddinge, Sweden; Tim Johannsen, Freshman, Hohenlockstedt, Germany; Kevin Sijmons, Junior, Beligneux, France; Davor Zink, Senior, Santiago, Chile.

Assistant Coach—David Secker.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ANDER CRENSHAW

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. CRENSHAW. Madam Speaker, I rise today to submit documentation consistent with the new Republican Earmark Standards.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 6599—Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Act For Fiscal Year 2009

Account: Military Construction, Navy

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Naval Air Station Jacksonville

Address of Receiving Entity: Jacksonville, Florida

Description of Request: I have secured \$12,890,000 in funding in H.R. 6599 in the Military Construction, Navy account for Child Development Center project at Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Florida.

Project will construct a Child Development Center (CDC) for 302 children ages 6 weeks to 6 years for full-day, part-day, and hourly care that are currently housed in substandard buildings and inadequate temporary trailers.

The existing child care facility accommodates approximately 246 children. Another 84 children are on an excess demand waiting list. Unborn infants projected list totals 46. Current facilities provide only a fraction of the space required for child care.

Additional space is required to reduce the waiting list of military dependents seeking child care services at NAS Jacksonville.

Naval Air Station Jacksonville is a strategic base for the Navy. This project was programmed by the Navy to receive funding in Fiscal Year 2009.

Military Construction projects are always 100 percent funded by the U.S. Federal government so there is no opportunity for matching funds.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 6599—Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Act For Fiscal Year 2009

Account: Military Construction, Navy

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Naval Station Mayport

Address of Receiving Entity: Mayport, Florida

Description of Request: I have secured \$14,900,000 in funding in H.R. 6599 in the

Military Construction, Navy account for an Alpha Wharf Improvement project at Naval Station Mayport, Florida.

Upgrade 900' of steel sheet pile bulkhead by driving a new steel sheet pile wall in front of the existing bulkhead, replace concrete pile cap, provide compacted select backfill material in areas of failure behind the bulkhead and between the new bulkhead and existing; replace the concrete encasement of sheet pile and concrete fendering panels; demolish and provide new asphalt wharf deck paving; demolish and reconstruct electrical distribution structure and relocate transformers and switchgear to new facility; install new primary electrical transformer, switchgear and CMU substation enclosure with HVAC for 4160V ships power, install new concrete shore power igloos to support 4160V ships power distribution; install new high security steel reinforced sliding vehicle gate, pedestrian turnstile access facility, wire rope active vehicle barrier and concrete filled, steel pipe passive vehicle bollards; cathodic protection system; concrete retaining wall. The project will demolish concrete pile cap and fendering face, demolish concrete and 5800 SY of asphalt wharf deck paving.

Naval Station Mayport is a strategic base for the Navy. This project was programmed to receive funding in Fiscal Year 2009.

Military Construction projects are always 100% funded by the U.S. Federal government so there is no opportunity for matching funds

CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF BEN'S CHILI BOWL

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, fifty years ago, on August 22, 1958, newlyweds Virginia and Ben Ali opened what is regarded now as a culinary landmark in Washington, D.C., Ben's Chili Bowl. The Ali family encountered numerous hardships on the way to establishing this neighborhood restaurant as a cultural symbol of camaraderie, tolerance and endurance. Ben's Chili Bowl became famous by consistently providing quality food for half a century such as their famous chili, half-smoke sausages, hamburgers and milkshakes. Over the years, the menu has expanded to include vegetarian options and a full breakfast. Celebrities such as Bill Cosby and Denzel Washington have visited the establishment, raising its national profile.

Ben's Chili Bowl is now one of the most successful, longest-operating African-American owned businesses in America. The restaurant is expanding with Ben's II opening next door to their longtime establishment along with a restaurant located in the Washington Nationals' new stadium. Further, a book commemorating the 50th anniversary of Ben's Chili Bowl will be released in August 2008.

Ben and Virginia Ali were inducted into the District of Columbia Hall of Fame in 1991, and while they have retired, their sons Kamal and Nizam are successfully carrying the family's business into the future. Congratulations to

Ben, Virginia, Kamal and Nizam Ali for their family's work ethic, dedication and commitment to making Ben's Chili Bowl an American symbol of small business success for the past 50 years.

A TRIBUTE TO THE LIFE OF ABRAHAM SHEINGOLD

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the life of a special man, Abraham Sheingold of Monterey, California. Abraham recently passed away at the age of 91 years old. He leaves behind his loving wife of 66 years, Sylvia, his son Larry and his daughter Janet.

Mr. Sheingold was born on February 17, 1917 in New York City. He earned his bachelor of arts and masters degree from the City College of New York. Abe joined the faculty of the Naval Postgraduate School in 1946, migrating with the school to Monterey when it was moved there from Annapolis in 1951. He was a professor of electronics, department chair and dean of academic admissions until his retirement in 1986.

Abe was a gifted teacher. His command of the English language coupled with his gentle manner and sense of humor made him a favorite with students and prompted frequent invitations to speak at Navy School functions, both during his tenure at the school and after his retirement. His knowledge of subject matter was evident in the textbook he wrote. These accomplishments contributed to his receiving the honor of Distinguished Professor.

Abe continued his involvement in the Naval Postgraduate School after his retirement through his service on the board of the Naval School Foundation, where he set up scholarship funds and honoria for faculty members. In addition, he helped establish Congregation Beth Israel on the Monterey Peninsula during the early fifties. He was an active member of the congregation, serving several terms as its president.

Abe loved to travel. He and his wife, Sylvia, took trips throughout the United States and traveled to Europe, Asia, Israel, Australia, New Zealand, Mexico and Canada. The couple moved to Sacramento 2 years ago to be near their children. He is remembered by his family and friends from around the country and the residents and caregivers at Sunrise Assisted Living in Sacramento.

It goes without saying that Mr. Abraham Sheingold was an honorable man with a commitment to his family, friends and community that will forever live in the lives of the people he so graciously touched. My heart goes out to Abraham's wife and children. I am honored and humbled to join his family in celebrating the life of this amazing man who will never be forgotten.