

Lawn Lions Club which will be celebrated June 9, 2000.

For 50 years this group has been an important asset to local and statewide charities, raising in excess of \$750,000. Unlike many organizations, every dollar raised by the Fair Lawn Lions Club is donated to charity.

The Fair Lawn Lions Club founded The Fair Lawn Opportunity Center, a facility for mentally challenged adults. To this date, they remain its largest private contributor. In addition to the Opportunity Center, the Fair Lawn Lions also contribute to the Mental Health Center, the Boy and Girl Scouts, the Ambulance Corps, Fire Department, and several other groups.

Furthermore, they financially support many statewide services. Among these are the St. Joseph's School for the Blind and the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. I commend their fervent dedication in assisting both the community and the entire state of New Jersey.

Worldwide, The Lions Clubs International is currently the largest service organization. They operate in 180 countries, boasting 50,000 clubs and 2,000,000 members.

I am proud to recognize the services of Charter Member and Past International Director William McCormick and Past District Governor Paul A. Meyer. I encourage the Fair Lawn Lions Club to continue their cause. They set a positive example for the community by raising money for those in need and are sure to remain a pillar of the community for the next 50 years and beyond.

On this, their 50th anniversary, I am proud to extend my congratulations to the Fair Lawn Lions Club.

TRIBUTE TO THE LATE MILTON V. FREEMAN

HON. MARTIN FROST

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 6, 2000

Mr. FROST. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to note the passing of one of the truly outstanding attorneys of the 20th century, Milton V. Freeman.

Milton Freeman died on June 3 at the age of 88 after a long and remarkable career. He graduated from City College of New York in 1931 and received his law degree from Columbia University in 1934, serving on the law review. Following his graduation from law school, Milton Freeman spent the next 12 years as an attorney with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

During his tenure at the SEC, Milton Freeman wrote many of the regulations that implemented the law that created the SEC, regulations that are still in effect today. I once introduced him at a meeting of my classmates at Georgetown Law Center as a "famous author" and, in fact, he was just that. He was the author of SEC Rule 10b-5, the heart of the SEC's anti-fraud regulations dealing with insider trading.

But Milton Freeman was much more than just a pioneering SEC lawyer. For many years he served as managing partner of Arnold and Porter, one of the most prestigious law firms in the nation. He also took time to defend people accused under anti-communist laws at the height of the McCarthy era, one of the darkest periods in our history.

Milton Freeman was a warm, generous person. He and his wife Phyllis befriended a group of insecure first-year law students at Georgetown who were friends of his daughter Nancy, who was also attending Georgetown. We spent a number of wonderful evenings at their home, evenings which somehow made the traumatic experience of the first months of law school a little more bearable.

Another of Milton's four children, Dan, also became a lawyer and has served the U.S. House of Representatives with great distinction for many years. Dan is currently Chief Counsel and Parliamentarian for the House Judiciary Committee, a position he has held under both Democratic and Republican chairmen.

Mr. Speaker, Milton Freeman was a good husband and father and a great American. He will be truly missed.

TRIBUTE TO SENIOR CHIEF PETTY OFFICER JAMES HERBERT HOWARD

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 6, 2000

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a distinguished American and dedicated veteran who passed away on March 15, 2000.

James Herbert Howard enlisted in the United States Navy on July 7, 1942 beginning a period of thirty-six years of service to his beloved country. He was a veteran of World War II. He was catapulted off aircraft carriers, transferred at sea and saw combat in the Solomon Islands.

James Herbert Howard served aboard several LSTS and was assigned to the U.S.S. *Teror* until it was decommissioned in 1947. Chief Howard served as a Quarter Master aboard such distinguished Naval Ships as the U.S.S. *Ajax* and the U.S.S. *Ticonderoga*. In 1972, Commander N.H. Kragseth wrote, "Chief Howard is a man of poise with an excellent military appearance . . . that he can express his ideas and communicate his instructions. He is dedicated to the United States Navy. He contributes to our retention, advancement and organization and he is an individual I would most want in my unit."

James Herbert Howard was a highly valuable asset to the United States Navy. He received numerous commendations including the Good Conduct Medal and Bronze Star on July 1, 1945, January 20, 1960, and January 20, 1963. While Chief Howard might have been frightened as a young man when he saw combat, he believed there to be a greater fear, a fear of a great nation losing freedom.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to a wonderful man who lived a life of purpose, who loved his country and who believed in the United States of America and that we extend our deepest sympathy to his loving family.

TRIBUTE TO DR. RONALD UZELAC

HON. ROBERT T. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 6, 2000

Mr. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise in tribute to a truly outstanding citizen of Sacramento, Dr. Ronald Uzelac. On June 8, 2000, he will be retiring as Principal of Rio Americano High School in Sacramento, California. As his friends and co-workers gather to celebrate his retirement, I ask all my colleagues to join with me in saluting his remarkable career.

Dr. Uzelac attended California State University, Sacramento, where he received his B.A. Degree and Teaching Credential. He continued his educational pursuits there and went on to receive a Master's Degree in Education and his Administrative Credential.

Over the years, he has dedicated himself to educating today's youth. He has served as an Elementary Vice Principal, Elementary Principal, Junior High School Principal, and High School Principal.

In these various educational posts, Dr. Uzelac has accumulated a vast collection of awards and citations. In 1983, he received the Administrator of the Year, Secondary Level by the Association of California School Administrators. He has been recognized with the ACSA Silver Star Award (Region 3) for leadership in developing a National Blue Ribbon School in March of 1996. In addition, he was the recipient of an Honorary Service Award Administrator of the Year from the San Juan PTA Council in April of 1996.

The list of accolades for Dr. Uzelac's schools is as extensive as his personal awards. Some of these include the California Distinguished Schools Award in 1988, 1990, and 1994. Also, he received national recognition from the Department of Education as a National Blue Ribbon School in 1996. Further achievements include recognition as one of Redbook's "American Best Schools" in 1996. His was one of only five California schools recognized for overall excellence.

In an effort to improve his schools, Dr. Uzelac has implemented programs to ensure their continued success. One such program is CIVITAS: a Political Studies Academy with restructured curriculum aligned with school-to-career emphasis. This has been in place since 1994.

Over the years, Dr. Uzelac has been recognized by California State Senator Patrick Johnston, former California State Senator Leroy Greene, and myself for his tremendous leadership and dedication to the youth of Sacramento. He is a very valuable member of our community.

Mr. Speaker, as Dr. Uzelac's friends and co-workers gather to celebrate his retirement, I am honored to pay tribute to one of Sacramento's most outstanding citizens. Dr. Uzelac's contributions to Sacramento and California have indeed been commendable. I ask all of my colleagues to join with me in wishing him and his family continued success in all their future endeavors.

IN HONOR OF MARY KAY KOSA

HON. JOHN D. DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 6, 2000

Mr. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an absolutely elegant woman. Mary Kay Kosa has been an educator and school administrator in the Monroe Public Schools for the past 50 years. She is also a dedicated volunteer, community activist and public servant who is the epitome of an involved and caring citizen. Mary Kay is admired by all and commands my highest respect and admiration as well. Mary Kay has decided to retire from her career in education where she currently serves as the principal of two Monroe elementary schools. She will undoubtedly be missed by the Monroe Public School System, but I take some measure of comfort in knowing that Mary Kay's kind and giving nature will make it impossible for her to also retire from her community activism.

Always independent and feisty, Mary Kay does not take no for an answer and will always fight for what is right. In the 1950's, Mary Kay stood up to the paranoia and censorship created by McCarthyism, she continued to teach her students the truth about the world and withstood fervent attempts to stop her. A champion of the poor, underprivileged and challenged, Mary Kay used her tremendous compassion and energy to serve as an effective advocate for those who are in need and less fortunate.

While always dedicated to first educating Monroe's children, Mary Kay has also managed to serve as a member and chair of several boards and commissions. The Huron Valley Girl Scout Council, Monroe Historic Districts Committee, Child and Family Services Board, Monroe County Mental Health Board, Monroe Housing Commission, Monroe County United Way Board of Directors, Monroe City Planning Commission, Salvation Army Advisory Council, The Art Lebow Community Center, Monroe County Opportunity Program, and the American Association of University Women have all benefited from Mary Kay's leadership and involvement.

A proud and active member of the Michigan Education Association, Mary Kay has used her activism, involvement and leadership to make public education better for our children. She has also utilized her talents to create a better situation for generations of public school teachers.

Mary Kay has been married to Edward Kosa for 41 years. Their loving relationship speaks volumes about the outstanding character of this wonderful woman and her terrific family. Mary Kay remains a valuable advisor, con-

fidant and friend. She has touched the lives of everyone in Monroe County in a meaningful and substantial way and the community will be ever grateful for her dedication and good deeds.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask my colleagues to rise with me in tribute to a fine educator and public servant, Mary Kay Kosa.

IN HONOR OF REVEREND JOHN P. SCHLEGEL

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday June 6, 2000

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Reverend John P. Schlegel, S.J., for his 9 remarkable years as President of the University of San Francisco. Father Schlegel has been honored with the position of President of Creighton University. His many friends in the San Francisco Bay Area bid him farewell with mixed emotions—happy for his personal success, sad that he is leaving, and forever grateful for his many accomplishments as President of the University of San Francisco.

Father Schlegel brought with him to San Francisco strong academic credentials. He holds B.A. and M.A. degrees from Saint Louis University, a B.D. degree in Theology from the University of London, and a Doctorate in International Relations from Oxford University. He entered the Wisconsin Province of the Society of Jesus in 1963 and was ordained in 1973.

He also brought a record of strong leadership. John began his academic career as a lecturer at Creighton University in 1969. He joined Creighton's faculty in the Political Science department in 1976 and also served as Assistant Academic Vice President from 1978–1982. John went on to serve as Academic Dean and Dean of Arts and Sciences at Rockhurst College, as Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Marquette University, and as the Executive and Academic Vice-President at John Carrol University in Cleveland.

Father Schlegel continued that record of service and leadership while in San Francisco. John serves on the Boards of Trustees of Loyola University in Chicago and of Xavier University in Cincinnati. He is the Chair of the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth Club of California, a director of the American International School of Hong Kong, and a member of the Advisory Council at the California Academy of Sciences. John also serves on the Board of Directors of the Coro Foundation and the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities, and on the Executive Committees of the Western College Association and the Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities.

At the University of San Francisco, John has had remarkable success. Thanks to his leadership, the caliber of the faculty and students has risen, the facilities have been upgraded, and the endowment has grown enormously. At the same time, the Jesuit mission of the University has been advanced.

We are grateful to Father John Schlegel for all that he has done for the University of San Francisco and for the entire Bay Area. We will miss him greatly but know that it is Creighton University's turn to benefit from his wisdom and vision. As we glory in his triumphant return home, we hope that he will visit San Francisco often. I join my constituents in wishing him the very best.

RECOGNIZING CHUCK BLASKO OF THE VOGUES

HON. RON KLINK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 6, 2000

Mr. KLINK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a musical legend, Chuck Blasko of The Vogues. A native of Turtle Creek, PA, and a resident of my congressional district, Mr. Blasko celebrates the 35th year of the music group this year. In 1965 he created the vocal group, and is the only original member still touring and performing.

During the 1960s and 1970s, the Vogues recorded 16 hits on the top 40 charts, including 9 in the top 20. Some of their best-known hits include "Turn Around, Look At Me" and "Five O'Clock World." Few groups have rivaled the success of the Vogues in placing so many songs on the top 40 charts.

Led by Mr. Blasko, their harmonic vocals continue to attract fans to sellout concerts and club appearances. With his outstanding talent and love of performing, the Vogues is an enduring fixture on the music scene and one of the world's top concert acts. Mr. Blasko has been immortalized by the Vocal Music Hall of Fame where fans can see photos of the group and a set of his stage clothes.

Despite his tremendous success, Mr. Blasko and his family continue to make western Pennsylvania their home. As an avid fan of The Vogues, I am truly honored to have this opportunity to acknowledge not only a fine musician but a man who cares about his community.

Once again, I urge my colleagues to rise and recognize Mr. Blasko on his 35th anniversary in the music industry. His commitment to his family and to his music represent the finest qualities of the people of the Fourth Congressional District.