

The Account: COPS Tech

Requesting Entity: Christian County Sheriff at 301 Franklin St. Taylorville, IL 62568.

Funding would go to be used for interoperable communication needs for emergency response in Christian County.

The Account: OJP—Byrne

Requesting Entity: Fairfield Police Department at 108 NW 7th St. Fairfield, IL 62837.

Funding will be used for an emergency generator and security and communications upgrades for Fairfield Police Department to allow them to utilize their facility and provide the equipment necessary for security compliance.

The Account: OJP—Byrne

Requesting Entity: Findlay Police Department at 221 E. S. Second St. Findlay, IL 62534.

Funding will be used for equipment to allow the FPD to properly equip their officers for the seasonal increases in traffic

The Account: OJP—Byrne

Requesting Entity: Village of Southern View located at 3412 S. Fifth St. Springfield, IL 62703.

Funding will be used for training and equipment for the Southern View Police Department.

The Account: OJP—Byrne

Requesting Entity: Wayne County Sheriff's office located at 305 E. Court St. Fairfield, IL 62837.

Funding will be used for equipment and supplies to upgrade underage drinking enforcement and other communications related equipment at Wayne County Sheriff's office.

The Account: OJP—JJ

Requesting Entity: i-SAFE, Inc. located at 5900 Pasteur Court, Suite 100 Carlsbad, CA 92008.

i-SAFE is a non-profit foundation that has been providing, since 2002, Internet Safety curriculum to over 7.2 million students nationwide. Parents, educators, law enforcement and industry rely on i-SAFE to educate citizens in all 50 states about how to remain safe from online predators, consumer fraud, bullying and many other online victimizations. The funding will go toward furthering these goals.

RECOGNIZING THE CITY OF CEDAR PARK

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. CARTER. Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize the Cedar Park City Council and staff for their great work within the community and helping to identify economic drivers and the small business in Cedar Park that make our community work.

I appreciate the work and dedication of the Cedar Park City Council and look forward to continuing to work with them in the future.

It is an honor to recognize the Cedar Park City Council for their great work.

PAN AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION NATIONAL TOURNAMENT AND CONVENTION

HON. SOLOMON P. ORTIZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. ORTIZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Pan American Golf Association National Tournament and Convention, which will be hosted on July 27–31 in Corpus Christi, Texas.

The tournament, which will be played on a beautiful day in the Coastal Bend area, returns to Corpus Christi after 10 years, and it has a special meaning to the Corpus Christi Chapter, which was established in 1951, with a handful of Hispanic golfers playing at Oso Golf course at the end of Alameda Street. Today, there are more than 42 Pan American Association Chapters in the country, including Corpus Christi.

I take this time on the House floor to welcome each and every one of our participants and ask that they enjoy their time with friends, family and loved ones. I know some of the best players of the sport will come together from across the nation to tee off.

I applaud the efforts made by those involved in getting the 2009 Pan American Golf Association National Tournament and Convention to Corpus Christi, and extend to all my best wishes.

Today, I ask that my colleagues join me in commemorating the 2009 Pan American Golf Association National Tournament and Convention and the Corpus Christi Chapter for their dedication, support and love for the sport of golf.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks as well as in accordance with Clause 9 of rule XXI, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2997, the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman PHIL GINGREY

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Department of Agriculture; Natural Resources Conservation Service, Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Paulding County (GA) Board of Commissioners

Address of Requesting Entity: 240 Constitution Boulevard, Dallas, GA 30132

Description of Request: The project will be a pump-fill reservoir located within the upper reaches of Richland Creek in northern Paulding County, Georgia. The funding granted in H.R. 2997 is to be used for engineering and design services for the dam structure and appurtenances, raw water withdrawal station, raw water pipeline, and for mitigation purposes.

Richland Creek Reservoir is a public water supply reservoir that is being proposed to fulfill Paulding County's water supply needs for the next 50 years. As Richland Creek has a small drainage basin, a raw water intake structure and pipeline must be constructed on the Etowah River to supply water to the 4.4 billion gallon reservoir. According to our 50-year water needs projections, Paulding County will need approximately 62 million gallons per day (MGD). Currently, Paulding County purchases 100% of its potable water from Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority (CCMWA). CCMWA has in its long-term plan to be able to supply Paulding with up to 27 MGD leaving an unmet need for Paulding County of 35 MGD. Richland Creek Reservoir is expected to fulfill the unmet water supply need of 35 million gallons per day (MGD) for Paulding County.

The \$100,000 added to H.R. 2997 will be used in its entirety for Surveying, Engineering Studies & Permitting for the reservoir to help fulfill the water needs of Paulding County.

HONORING FRANK KUCINICH, JR.

HON. MARCIA L. FUDGE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Ms. FUDGE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Frank Kucinich, Jr., brother of Representative DENNIS KUCINICH, and recognize his service to our country and his dedication to the City of Cleveland, Ohio.

Frank Kucinich, Jr. was a United States Marine Corps combat veteran of the Vietnam War, who was promoted to lance corporal on the battlefield. After leaving Vietnam, Frank continued his service in the Mediterranean in support of the U.S. Navy's Sixth Fleet in Europe. He was honorably discharged from the United States Marine Corps in September 1968.

Frank Kucinich received many military awards for his service. He was also one of the founding members of the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 15, in Cleveland, Ohio, and was nominated to the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame.

Frank had retired and lived at the Ohio Veterans Home in Sandusky, Ohio when he passed away on June 30. Frank was the beloved brother of DENNIS, Gary, Theresa, Larry, the late Perry and the late Beth Ann.

Madam Speaker and colleagues, please join me in celebrating the life of Frank Kucinich, Jr., and in recognizing his service to our community and our country. His patriotism and contributions to society serve as an inspiration to all of us.

RECOGNIZING LANDY WARREN OF ROUND ROCK

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. CARTER. Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize Landy Warren of Round Rock, Texas for his unbelievable service to our country, his leadership through Children of Fallen Soldiers and Freedom Festival 2009.

The Children of Fallen Soldiers is a non-profit organization based out of Round Rock, Texas with a goal to provide each child who has lost a parent in the line of duty, with \$25,000 to assist with college expenses, or to otherwise help them to start out in the world when they turn 18. The Children of Fallen Soldiers organization was born through the vision of the Rotary DISTRICT 5870, in Round Rock, Texas.

Fifteen central Texas children have been identified through the program who have lost a parent in the line of duty. The soldiers who were killed were all from Ft. Hood, Texas.

The Freedom Fest 2009, a 4th of July concert and fireworks presentation to benefit The Children of Fallen Soldiers, was held this year with the hard work of Landy, and other local sponsors.

It is an honor to recognize Landy, as he continues to be a true leader in Texas District 31, and in our country.

CONGRATULATING SUE LOFGREN—
SCI VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

HON. HARRY E. MITCHELL

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. MITCHELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Sue Lofgren from my home town of Tempe, Arizona. Sue is being recognized as the Sister Cities International Volunteer of the Year at the annual conference. This year's conference takes place in Belfast, Northern Ireland.

The cities of Tempe, Arizona and Timbuktu, Mali, West Africa have enjoyed an eighteen year partnership through Sister Cities International. This relationship has persevered, despite hurdles which would have daunted most people. Lack of modern communication methods in 1991, the language barrier, as well as the physical difficulties of travel to that remote part of the world, were just a few of the hurdles. Sue found a way to overcome all of them.

The number one issue facing Timbuktu was lack of water. Sue arranged for a retired water engineer to travel to Timbuktu—no easy task in itself—to assess the feasibility of drilling water wells. Once water was found 100 feet down, Sue's real work began. She organized a fundraising effort to secure the \$7,000 needed to drill a well, by selling bottled water bearing the label, "Water for You . . . and Timbuktu". The next hurdle was getting the money to Mali as Timbuktu had no bank, no Western Union, no nothing. This was eventually accomplished through a third party. When the first well opened, people literally danced in the streets and named that first effort, The Sue Lofgren Well. She has since raised money for six more wells.

When Sue made her first visit to Timbuktu, she packed her clothes and \$11,000 of donated medical supplies, reading glasses, soccer balls and school supplies. While on her visit, she was home-hosted and saw first hand the great needs of these proud people. She returned home and redoubled her efforts on their behalf.

To date, she has singlehandedly raised at least \$200,000 in aid for Timbuktu. In addition to the wells, money has gone to purchasing

wheelchairs, goats, sheep and camels, sewing machines, gardening supplies, medical and school supplies, as well as toilets and a millet grinder for the Women's Center. In 2008 she also facilitated a relationship with Project C.U.R.E which resulted in the donation of another \$500,000 in badly needed medical equipment.

All of this effort might seem to be enough for most of us, but not Sue. In addition to her efforts on Timbuktu's behalf, she volunteers a lot of her time to other programs of Tempe Sister Cities. She and her husband, Bob, have hosted international guests from Tempe's six other sister cities. She volunteers in the organization's gift shop, works in the kitchen for events and has organized the information booth at the annual Way Out West Oktoberfest. She is tireless in her dedication to Tempe Sister Cities, and especially to Timbuktu.

I am proud to call Sue Lofren a friend, and prouder yet that her efforts are being recognized by this wonderful award. Please join me in congratulating this outstanding person.

THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF MR.
JESUS GONZALEZ VILLAGOMEZ

HON. SOLOMON P. ORTIZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. ORTIZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Jesus Gonzalez Villagomez, who celebrated his 100th birthday on May 5, 2009, surrounded by family, friends and loved ones.

Mr. Villagomez was born on May 5, 1909, in Villa Morelos, Michoacan, Mexico, to a ranching and farming family—Telesforo and Antonia Gonzalez Villagomez.

When he turned 18, he migrated to the United States entering at the Port of Brownsville in Brownsville, Texas, and a few years later returned to Mexico where he met and married his lifelong companion and wife, Mariana Aguillon Villagomez. Mr. Villagomez and his wife returned to the United States and settled in Fargo, North Dakota.

He joined the United States Army at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, during World War II and was honorably discharged. Mr. Villagomez would go on to make a name for himself holding positions with the Union Pacific Railroad and the Armour Meat Packing Company in Fargo, North Dakota, where he retired from.

He is fluent in English and Spanish and has a true love and passion for education. He has a son, Jesse Villagomez, Jr., of Ft. Worth, Texas, and a daughter, Maria Antonieta Villagomez, of Corpus Christi, Texas, as well as four grandchildren and three great grandsons.

Mr. Villagomez's hobbies include: gardening, cooking, reading, dancing, and traveling.

Today, I ask that my colleagues join me in celebrating the 100th birthday of Mr. Jesus Gonzalez Villagomez who has lived a happy life surrounded by family, friends and loved ones.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RON KLEIN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. KLEIN of Florida. Madam Speaker, I submit a record of how I would have voted on June 18 and 26, 2009 when I was unavoidably detained.

Had I voted, I would have voted "yes" on rollcall No. 383, "yes" on rollcall No. 390, "yes" on rollcall No. 400, "yes" on rollcall No. 406, and "no" on rollcall No. 472.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. WALDEN. Madam Speaker, consistent with the House Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, to the best of my knowledge the requests I have detailed below are (1) not directed to an entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; and (2) not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark. As required by earmark standards adopted by the House Republican Conference, I submit the following information on projects I requested and that were included in the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010 (H.R. 2997).

Account: Agriculture Research Service—Salaries and expenses

Project Name: Northwest Center for Small Fruits, Corvallis, OR

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Northwest Center for Small Fruits Research, 4845 B SW Dresden Ave., Corvallis, OR 97333

Project Location: Corvallis, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 2997 appropriates \$254,000 for the Northwest Center for Small Fruits Research conducted by USDA's Agriculture Research Service (ARS). According to the requesting entity, the appropriated funds for this project will be used by ARS to fund cooperative research, extension, and education activities on peer-reviewed small fruits research project proposals that will enhance profitability and sustainability of the small fruits industry in the Pacific Northwest.

Account: National Institute of Food and Agriculture—SRG

Project Name: Multi-commodity Research, OR

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR 97331-4501

Project Location: Corvallis, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 2997 appropriates \$244,000 for the Multi-commodity Research, OR program to be conducted by Oregon State University. Oregon State University has confirmed in their justification that the appropriated funds for this project will be used to