

Mayor Jackson has also been a recipient of several notable awards, including the Illinois Woman of Achievement Award in 2000 and the Outstanding Patriotism Award from the State of Illinois V.F.W. in 2006. She is truly a committed public servant and a model citizen.

Mr. Speaker and Distinguished Colleagues, please join me in recognizing this special occasion as we celebrate Mayor Jackson's faithful service to the Village of Glendale Heights.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE
RETIREMENT OF OVAL JAYNES

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 4, 2011

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I would like to pay tribute to a very special Athletic Director today, Oval Jaynes.

Jaynes has served as Athletic Director at Jacksonville State University in Jacksonville, Alabama for the past three years and on April 30, 2011, Jaynes will retire.

JSU enjoyed much success Jayne's leadership, winning numerous Ohio Valley Conference Championships and advancing to NCAA postseason play, and more than 300 student-athletes posted a 3.0 grade point average or higher in the classroom. Jaynes, who spent more than 20 years in coaching, including three years as the head football coach at Gardner-Webb, began his administrative career as an Assistant Athletic Director and Associate Athletic Director at Auburn University from 1981–1986.

He was Athletics Director at Colorado State for five years before taking over at the University of Pittsburgh. He led the Panther athletic department from 1991 until 1996, when he moved to Director of Athletics at the University of Idaho. He then spent five years at Chattanooga as Director of Athletics and then another year at UTC as Special Assistant to the Chancellor.

Fourteen of his former staff members went on to serve as Athletic Directors at Division I Institutions, including Jay Jacobs at Auburn University and Mark Hollis at Michigan State University.

Forty of his former staff members and players have gone on to become head football coaches, including Skip Holtz and Urban Meyer, and 61 have become NFL assistant coaches. Additionally, three of his former coaches went on to become head coaches in the NFL.

Jaynes has served on different NCAA committees, the NCAA Council, the Nominating Committee and chair of the District VII Post-Graduate Scholarship Committee. In 1999, he received the General Robert R. Neyland Award for Lifetime Achievement by the All-American Football Foundation and in 2002, the Bill Wade Unsung Hero Award. In 2008, he was inducted into the Burke County Sports Hall of Fame in his hometown of Morganton, N.C.

Jaynes was born on July 25, 1940, and is a graduate of Appalachian State University. Jaynes is married to Pricilla and has two sons, Lee and Brandon and three grandchildren. I'm proud to congratulate Oval Jaynes on his retirement and thank him for his service to JSU.

RECOGNIZING THE 2010–2011 CONGRESSIONAL YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR 500 HOURS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY—NATHAN LEE

HON. SAM JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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A copy of each submitted student summary follows:

Volunteering through the lens of Congressional Youth Advisory Council has given me an opportunity to view my volunteering for church, community, and mission trips with hope, compassion, and a deeper appreciation of volunteering. With this charge in mind, I volunteered for a local church event during the fall and helped restore and clean a retired veteran's yard. I believe CYAC's charge to serve in our community is a sign of a healthy and caring society. Through an individual's willingness and desire to help others in less fortunate circumstances, volunteering can lead to changed lives and changed communities. Through CYAC's efforts, my involvement in church and Senior Citizen Services has given me a path that displays desire and gratefulness to citizens in need. A simple act of cleaning up for one in need is a solution to an elderly veteran

who served our country with honor and with distinction. In addition, volunteering gives us opportunities to form relationships with people we would normally not bond with. Through CYAC's efforts, I learned that a compassionate civil society can care for its citizens, which I believe is a foundation for a great and grateful society.

—Nathan Lee

HONORING MARGARET MARSH FOR HER CAREER AS DEAN OF THE FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES AT RUTGERS-CAMDEN

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Margaret Marsh, Outgoing Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences and Distinguished Professor of History for her service to Rutgers-Camden University. After thirteen years of exemplary leadership, she is stepping down as Dean and re-joining the faculty.

Ms. Marsh earned her undergraduate degree from Rutgers-Camden University and later received her PhD in history from Rutgers-New Brunswick in 1974. Ms. Marsh distinguished herself as a leader, holding positions as professor, chair, and Dean within two different institutions of higher learning. Ms. Marsh was professor and Chair of the History Department at Temple University in 1997, then went on to become Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences at Rutgers-Camden in 1998. After becoming Dean, Ms. Marsh earned a reputation as a renowned expert in women's history, gender history, American cultural history, and the connections between gender and medicine. Her award-winning research on these topics was funded by a multi-year grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. She has shared these findings over the last thirty years, publishing several books, articles, and essays.

During her tenure, Ms. Marsh has worked to expand educational opportunities for students. Thanks to her dedicated leadership, Rutgers launched the nation's first PhD program in childhood studies and created new PhD programs in public affairs and computational and integrative biology. Ms. Marsh also presided over the Faculty of Arts and Sciences increasing its support for its endowment fund by over 800%. This increase produced more scholarships for students in need and funded more faculty research programs.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating Margaret Marsh on her career as Dean. Ms. Marsh has made a lasting impact on Rutgers' faculty and students, and I am inspired by her dedication and leadership to the university.

IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF
THOMAS H. GREER

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 4, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in remembrance of Thomas H. Greer, a loving

husband and friend, and the Vice President of the Cleveland Plain Dealer newspaper.

Mr. Greer became editor of the Plain Dealer in 1990, becoming only one of three African-American journalists to hold such a position at a major daily newspaper at that time.

Known to colleagues as Thom, he served as a role model for young and aspiring journalists. His work ethic was, as he told the newspaper in 1992, to “keep your mouth shut, hold your head up high and work like hell to make yourself and those around you as good as they can be.”

Mr. Greer was born in Nashville, Tennessee, but moved to New Jersey during his childhood. He majored in history at Dillard University in New Orleans, and later attended Rider College and Rutgers University.

In 1964, Greer was hired by the Evening Times in Trenton, NJ as a sports journalist. He moved to the Plain Dealer in 1974, where he served on the suburban news unit. His stories investigating shakedowns of late-night liquor stores and thefts of confiscated liquor by Cuyahoga County Sheriff officer, led to their arrests.

Mr. Greer left the Plain Dealer for larger papers in Chicago, Philadelphia and New York, but returned in 1983 as editor of the sports department. He expanded their news coverage from exclusively local sports to national and international stories.

Mr. Greer worked as Managing Editor, Executive Editor and eventually Editor, as he oversaw the expansion of the paper, the creation of new bureaus in other counties, and expanded coverage of upcoming issues. In 1992, he became Vice President and oversaw community outreach, volunteerism, affirmative action employment and the Plain Dealer Charities, as well as the Plain Dealer High School Newspaper Workshop.

In addition to his many roles with the Plain Dealer, he served as a trustee of the Greater Cleveland Roundtable, WVIZ-TV, the City Club, and the National Junior Tennis Association. He was honored by Kaleidoscope Magazine and inducted into the Region VI Hall of Fame of the National Association of Black Journalists.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in remembering Thomas H. Greer, whose legacy of professionalism, positive work ethic, and commitment to justice will forever serve as an example. I extend my sincere condolences Mr. Greer's wife Maxine and to his family, friends and colleagues that knew him best.

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When I was informed CYAC members would be asked to volunteer time to make a difference in the lives of others I began to look for the perfect serving opportunity. I found it at HOPE Resource Center. My job as Diaper and Wipe Coordinator for the Blessings Boutique is to contact churches and inform them about HOPE Resource Center and the blessings that HOPE brings to the young women in our community. I ask them to hold a drive to collect diapers and wipes and then deliver them to HOPE. I help the churches by providing information to pass along to their members about the Christ-centered ministry opportunities of HOPE. I stay in contact with the churches and help them with anything they need for the diaper drive. Once the church is done collecting diapers and wipes I arrange a time for them to drop off the donations they collected. I look back today and I can see the difference I have made in my community. I have impacted the lives of numerous young mothers and their babies. I have gained new insights in the lives of people touched by community service. I have a new found passion for serving others in my community.

—Alyssa Johnston

RESTROOM GENDER PARITY IN FEDERAL BUILDINGS ACT

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 4, 2011

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, public restrooms have been the site of institutional discrimina-

tion by race, physical ability and gender. Women are often forced to wait in long lines to use public restrooms, while men rarely have the same problem. It is an inconvenience seen in almost every type of public building; be it a sporting venue, office building, airport or a building designed for recreational activities. Many of these establishments were constructed decades ago, during a time in which many women did not travel, hold the same jobs as men, receive the same level of education or have the same type of social life as they do today.

The issue of inadequate accommodations in women's restrooms may be found in many professional places of employment. Restroom gender parity is an issue of equality and health. In the year 2011, it is unfathomable to think that American women are still being discriminated against by infrastructural disparities in public buildings.

Unfortunately, this is the sad truth exhibited in nearly all public buildings today. A one-to-one ratio of toilets in female restrooms to toilets in male restrooms sounds like a requirement that ought to have existed decades ago; yet there are still fewer female accommodations compared to male accommodations in many public structures.

This is why supporting the bipartisan Restroom Gender Parity in Federal Buildings Act is necessary not only for the advancement of gender parity, but for the general well being and health of women everywhere. This bill will require any Federal building constructed for public use to have a 1 to 1 ratio for toilets, including urinals in women's and men's restrooms. Moreover, the bill will impact future Federal projects by mandating that preference for Federal leasing considerations be given to buildings that already meet this criteria.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in passing this common sense legislation to address the inadequacies in our federal infrastructure.

IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF
MARY ELIZABETH FLAHIVE

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 4, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor and remembrance of Mary Elizabeth Flahive, whose life was marked by her strong ties to the Cleveland community.

Mary was born in Northampton, Massachusetts. She obtained both an undergraduate and graduate degree in Geology. She then spent ten years working at the Springfield, Massachusetts Museum of Natural History.

She moved to Cleveland, Ohio, where she began her 42 year career with the Cleveland Natural History Museum. Her career began with an expedition to Colorado, where she assisted in a dinosaur excavation.

Her tenure at the Natural History Museum was marked by achievement after achievement. She set up the Camp Bigfoot program at the museum, a program which is still active to this very day. She also set up other programs such as the Western Heritage Expeditions.

Her mark on the community expands further than just her work at the Natural History Museum. Friends of hers, the Anderson Family,