

ONE-MINUTE LEADER BOARD

DELIVERING A GOP MESSAGE IN SIXTY SECONDS OR LESS

GOLD MINUTEMEN



Virginia Foxx, NC	(22)
Ted Poe, TX	(22)
Joe Wilson, SC	(20)
Marsha Blackburn, TN	(19)
Joe Pitts, PA	(15)
Ric Keller, FL	(15)
Phil Gingrey, GA	(13)
Tom Price, GA	(10)
Mike Pence, IN	(8)
Ginny Brown-Waite, FL	(7)
Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, FL	(7)
Candice Miller, MI	(7)
Cliff Stearns, FL	(6)

SILVER MINUTEMEN



Shelley Moore Capito, WV	(5)
Patrick McHenry, NC	(5)
Mark Foley, FL	(4)
Sue Kelly, NY	(4)
Virgil Goode, VA	(3)
J. Gresham Barrett, SC	(3)
Mike Burgess, TX	(3)
Tim Murphy, PA	(3)
Steve Chabot, OH	(3)
Sam Johnson, TX	(3)

BRONZE MINUTEMEN

2 Each: Tom Osborne, NE; Mike Conaway, TX; Jack Kingston, GA; Thaddeus McCotter, MI

Messenger Of The Week

Marsha Blackburn

The Weekly Theme Teamer

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THEME TEAM DISCUSSION
Thursday, 9 AM, H-236

MEMBER PROFILE:

Lynn
Westmoreland



Defending America:

This week Republicans continue their leadership on strengthening our national defense with the SAFE Port Act. This Act is based upon a layered security strategy that will enhance security at United States ports, track and protect containers en route to the United States and prevent threats from reaching U.S. soil.

Statesman Spotlight: Lynn Westmoreland



That's A Pretty Good Reason.

Lynn got involved in politics because he thought he was paying too much in taxes. He was elected to the Georgia House of Representatives in 1992 and went on to play a major role in the 2004 Republican takeover of the House for the first time since Reconstruction.

Jack Of All Trades. Lynn worked in a bowling alley, an upholstery shop and as a bag-handler for Delta. He started his own home construction business in 1982 and ran LAW Builders until he ran for Congress.



Father Of The Bride. Lynn, driving a bridesmaid and the makeup lady, wrecked his daughter's car on the way to her wedding. Both windows were knocked out. The wedding was during the 1993 blizzard so the car filled with snow.

Father Of The Bride Part II. During the reception, a thief broke into Lynn's car and stole all the wedding presents – and the keys to the daughter's wrecked car. Lynn was nearly arrested when he pulled his car onto the sidewalk at the police station to report the crime – he was trying to keep the police from having to walk in the snow but they didn't see it that way. The power went out at his house that night and a giant oak tree fell on his barbecue pit.

One Minute Spotlight



“Our constituents are asking exactly the right question: Why are gas prices so high? . . . **There are liberal Members of this body for the past three decades that have voted to prevent domestic exploration for oil.** They have also worked to make it virtually impossible to build new refineries, and they have succeeded. . . . This week we have

watched the Democrats stand around wringing their hands about high gas prices and blaming every Republican in sight. But this is not a partisan issue, it is an American issue, and people need to know the truth is in the voting. . . . **Americans have only to ask the liberals why they are paying so much at the pump.**”
[Rep. Marsha Blackburn On Gas Prices, 04/27/2006]

Ronald Reagan Award Reminder



So far **26 Members** have received the Ronald Reagan Award for their work in promoting social security reform and/or the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit. Here are the requirements to win:

- 12 District Events.
- 1 District-wide franked mail piece or 10 “499” mailings.
- 1 Editorial Board visit to each of your major newspapers.
- 1 Member Commentary column.
- 3 One-Minute speeches.
- Organize or join 1 Special Order speech.
- Update your website with links or information on Social Security or Medicare Part D.
- 1 radio or television appearance in your district.
- Record a phone call.
- Meet with AARP or other seniors group

Have your staff email Krista.cole@mail.house.gov with any updates or questions.