

Southeastern New York will drive across the Newburgh-Beacon Bridge in automobiles marked with large red bows on the antennas, to join in a Drug-Free Riverfront Festival and ribbon-tying ceremony in Beacon, and the highly successful Red Ribbon Auto Rally co-ordinated by Lenny Rifkin each year in Goshen, NY. Lenny is the regional coordinator of DARE [Drug Abuse Resistance Education] and this auto rally raises money annually to conduct the many antinarcotics activities of DARE.

Participants from Orange, Rockland, Sullivan, Westchester, Dutchess, Putnam, and Ulster Counties will come together to make all of these events not only memorable but also inspirational.

Two of my constituents, Joan Fawley, a senior at Goshen High School, and Alma Buffoe, a seventh grader at Greenwood Lake Middle School, have been chosen to deliver remarks giving young people's perspective on the topic of substance abuse.

Between now and the conclusion of Red Ribbon Week on October 31—a week so big it needs 10 days—many other activities are planned by our Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Council in Orange County, including pledge and sign up day, rally day, rap about day, a sports weekend, and, finally, just say boo to drugs day on Halloween.

Mr. Speaker, the enthusiasm of all the participants in Red Ribbon Week reminds us all that substance abuse remains America's No. 1 enemy. I am pleased that our colleagues (Mr. ZELIFF and RANGEL—are organizing a bipartisan drug policy group, and I urge all of our colleagues to join with us in this most worthwhile endeavor.

KATARINA SCHMOLL'S VISION OF AMERICA

HON. PATRICIA SCHROEDER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, every year the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and its ladies auxiliary conduct the Voice of Democracy broadcast script writing contest. I am pleased to announce that one of my constituents, Katarina Schmoll, is this year's European winner. Katarina was born in Denver, CO, and is a senior at Ramstein American High School outside of Frankfurt, Germany. She is active in her student government and plans to pursue a career in broadcast journalism. I would like to include her prize-winning script in the Record.

MY VISION FOR AMERICA

My vision for America is a hopeful, confident and promising one. It can only be achieved by a great people who themselves are hopeful and confident about the future. Most certainly, our founding fathers exemplified these virtues and without their dedication our country would never have been born. To rest on the laurels of the past however, is not enough. Each generation needs dedicated people to build on the great tradition its founders started.

In my vision for America I perceive a diverse people; each making a vital and positive contribution. I see a strong military where proud people make sacrifices for the good of all. Men and women ready and will-

ing to commit their lives, answering whatever the call of their nation may be; willingly leaving the safety of their own homes to go to unfamiliar areas of the world to protect America and its allies.

I visualize a confident people. Confident because they are educated, contributing members of society. They keep themselves informed through reading and involvement. They form their own opinions critically; not being dominated by the press and media but by an open mind and fairness. I see confidence in the working people of America because they are investing in the national economy, encouraging one another to do their best, challenging themselves through competition, opening new businesses, giving their valuable time to the youth; striving not only for the best in their own lives but looking out for others as well.

In my vision for America I see decisive leaders who make decisions with conviction. The president is supported by both political parties and backed by the American people. Where a difference in political opinion leads to debate, not hate.

I envision the youth of America to be highly motivated and eager to learn because they are encouraged by their parents, teachers and nation's leaders. I see teachers instructing their students with enthusiasm; believing in them and guiding them toward the future. The youth are graduating from high school and college, taking on the challenges and opportunities open to them. I see an optimistic future for those who are willing to learn and be actively involved.

In my vision I picture a nation that is not dominated by technology but rather assisted by it. A nation where the individual is always more important than the machine.

The family is focused and strong in my vision for America. Marriage is a life-long commitment taken solemnly. Parents are able to effectively communicate with their children and be their most important teachers. No one has more faith in the future than parents themselves because they see children growing and learning every day. Children give hope to the future.

In my vision I see the young and the old sitting together, remembering the past and anticipating the future. The young are often in awe of the past and the old are fearful of the future. Through friendship, the young and the old reassure each other of what has been and what is to come. We learn from everything we do.

My vision for America pictures a hopeful and confident people continuing the neverending process of development and growth: incorporating the knowledge and ideas gained in their own lives with the wisdom that has been passed on to them by their forefathers.

A bright vision is what I see. America keeps on shining! The more we learn, the more we shine on together as a strong nation.

HONORING MODEL UNITED NATIONS AT SPALDING UNIVERSITY

HON. MIKE WARD

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Mr. WARD. Mr. Speaker, I wish to recognize the Model United Nations that will take place at Spalding University in Louisville, KY on November 10, 1995. This will be the first time that the collegiate level Model United Nations [U.N.] conference will be held in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

The Model U.N. Conference will give college students a wonderful opportunity to gain insight into the substance of international affairs by having them serve as delegates of assigned countries. The students will also learn about the role of the U.N. in the international community and the internal workings of the U.N. The communication skills practiced during the conference will no doubt prove to be a valuable experience to all of the participants.

I am proud to host the Spalding University Model United Nations Conference in my district. Due to the vital role the United States must play in world affairs, a conference of this nature can only prove to be of worthwhile nature.

SALUTE TO EDDIE DEAN

HON. ELTON GALLEGLY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Mr. GALLEGLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a true legend, a man who has spent his life entertaining people around the world on radio, television, and the big screen—Eddie Dean.

When I was a child growing up in southern California, Eddie Dean was one of my greatest heroes. The singing cowboy who wore the white hat and always saved the fair maiden, he represented everything that was fresh and new and good in America to a child in the 1950's.

One of the five singing cowboys, a group that included the great Gene Autry, Roy Rogers, Rex Allen and Monte Hale, Eddie always represented the good side of people.

There were many Saturday mornings growing up when I could be found sitting in front of a black-and-white television set watching Eddie ride and sing across the West.

Well, over the years that hero became a friend and I had the privilege of spending a good deal of time with Eddie. Sometimes we'd sit and talk about his latest tour, about his golf game, about one of his old movies or just about the music, the ability to deliver a heartfelt song that has never left him.

Mr. Speaker, a group of friends and fans will be presenting Eddie with some long-overdue recognition this weekend in Thousand Oaks, CA. At a time when we in America are searching for heroes and for entertainment that accentuates the positive side of life, this seems entirely appropriate.

I always think of Eddie as the kind of guy who personified the heart and the worthy intentions that are inside all of us. I think it is amazing that he is still at it today—still touring—and still spreading the same positive message he has for more than 50 years. I wish him all the best today and far into the future.

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A SALUTE TO REV. RICHARD A. DENT

HON. THOMAS M. FOGLIETTA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Mr. FOGLIETTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to salute Rev. Richard A. Dent for his many

years of dedicated service at the First African Baptist Church in Sharon Hill, PA.

Reverend Dent, educated at Antioch College, Temple University, Cheyney State University, and Eastern Theological Seminary, has been the pastor of the First African Baptist Church for over 10 years. Not only does this spiritual man pastor his flock with compassion, humility, and love, he is always available to anyone in the community.

Reverend Dent has initiated many community outreach programs including the Community Health Program, the Holiday Feeding Program and the Emergency Food Cupboard. In Addition, Reverend Dent is responsible for the Project For The Homeless which provides food, toiletries, and clothing for the homeless in the city of Philadelphia.

Reverend Dent is also an educator. Since his retirement from teaching school, he has become an activist concerned about quality education. Reverend Dent has been the catalyst for many valuable programs such as the Community Tutorial Program and the Satellite Learning Center. Reverend Dent has also played a vital role in the initiation of the B.W. Watkins Scholarship which provides financial assistance to approximately 30 students in college and professional schools. He made available to students such institutions as the Mary E. Watkins Multi Media Purpose Center which consist of a library, computer lab, and modern technology.

I hope my colleagues will join me today in congratulating the Reverend Richard A. Denton for his many years of service with the Baptist Church and the Sharon Hill community. I wish the Reverend Richard A. Dent and the First African Baptist Church the very best as they continue their service to the Baptist community in Sharon Hill, PA.

PROTECTING JOBS IN THE AVIATION INDUSTRY

HON. RICHARD J. DURBIN

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. Speaker, there has been some good news recently for the airline industry. After nearly \$13 billion in losses since 1990, the loss of nearly 120,000 jobs and millions of dollars in wage and benefit concessions, the airline industry is expected to earn a profit of more than \$1 billion this year.

Much of this improvement is due to the economic recovery under the Clinton administration. However, further congressional action is necessary to sustain this growth and to protect the jobs of airline employees. Growth in air travel has slowed in recent months. U.S. airlines face stiff competition from foreign carriers. In addition, U.S. airlines must spend an estimated \$75 billion over the next several years for new equipment—mostly new aircraft and engines—both to comply with Federal noise requirements and to increase their competitiveness.

At the same time, the airline industry faces an additional \$500 million in costs due to the expiration of the aviation jet fuel tax exemption. The costs of this tax will undermine the economic recovery of U.S. airlines and jeopardize thousands of jobs in the aviation industry.

As a cosponsor of legislation to make this exemption permanent, I believe this exemption is an investment in the economic vitality of the aviation industry and the jobs of thousands of airline employees and aircraft manufacturers.

HONORING NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH GROUPS OF FAIRFAX COUNTY

HON. THOMAS M. DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

HON. JAMES P. MORAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Mr. DAVIS. Mr. Speaker, we rise today to pay tribute to Fairfax County's Neighborhood Watch Program which will be celebrating its 16th anniversary on October 27, 1995.

In 1979, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and the Fairfax County Police Department embraced the concept of citizen participation through Neighborhood Watch and formally endorsed its acceptance and establishment throughout the county. From that beginning 16 years ago, an outstandingly effective community-based crime prevention program has developed.

The growth of Neighborhood Watch in the county has been phenomenal, with more than 250 programs in operation by mid-1982. Expansion has continued at a steady pace, with more than 911 communities organized throughout the county. The number of participating citizen volunteers has increased from several hundred in 1979 to a 1995 total of more than 40,000 neighbors who care.

Even more impressive than the growth of the program has been its impact on the occurrence of crime in Fairfax County. Property crimes, such as burglary, larceny, and vandalism, had been increasingly steadily through 1980, but with the advent of Neighborhood Watch on a widespread basis, such crimes began to decrease sharply, as much as 50 percent in cases of reported vandalism. This program has enabled the county to hold its own against crime, with actual numbers of offenses increasing at a far lower percentage than the growth of the county's population. Overall today, Fairfax County is the safest jurisdiction in the Nation for an entity of its size.

The program's overall success and myriad of accomplishments have brought Fairfax County national and international recognition, including formal citations by the President of the United States and visitors from throughout the Nation and around the world to observe first hand the results of this cooperative endeavor between a local police department and citizens it serves.

Mr. Speaker, we know that our colleagues join us in honoring Fairfax County's Neighborhood Watch for its 16 years of dedicated service and commitment to make Fairfax County a better place to live.

TRIBUTE IN MEMORY OF HERMES LUCIANO CARABALLO

HON. JOSÉ E. SERRANO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the memory of Hermes Luciano Caraballo, who still remains with us in spirit through the many people he touched and served.

Today his memory will be honored by his family, friends, and members of the community at the First Annual Dinner of the Caraballo Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Born in Yauco, Puerto Rico, Mr. Caraballo started serving the Christian community at the early age of 6 at The Four Square Church of Ponce. One year after his marriage to Ms. Isabel Olan, he came to New York City and became an active member of the Church of God 3:16. He excelled at this church as leader of the men's Ministry and was the Assistant District Commander of the Spanish Eastern District, A.G. of the Royal Rangers.

In 1964, Mr. Caraballo obtained the approval of the Directorship and faculty of the Spanish American Bible Institute of New York after finishing 3 years in theological studies. Eighteen years later he served as an advisor at Glad Tidings Church and an elder of the Spanish Department. In 1995, he was founding trustee of Grace Tabernacle.

Mr. Caraballo's dedication to the well-being of the community was also evident through his involvement with many organizations including, Hunts Point Multi Service, Model Cities, Puerto Rican Community Development Project, "La Hermandad Yaucana Cívica y Cultural, Inc.," "Hijos de las Piedras y la Fraternidad Isabelina," The Puerto Rican Day Parade, "La Federacion de los Pueblos," and "La Association del Niño Evangelico." In addition, he served as community liaison to Assemblywoman Carmen Arroyo.

A remarkable human being, Mr. Caraballo left a legacy of hope, encouragement, convictions, and joy. He was a father and a friend to those who needed him. He is survived by his wife and six children.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in paying homage to the life of this exceptional individual who was committed to the service of the most vulnerable and of those in need of encouragement and hope.

A NEW DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

HON. PHILIP M. CRANE

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 26, 1995

Mr. CRANE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to bring a certain document to the attention of the House. The document is entitled "A New Declaration of Independence" and was authored by Bill Zimmermann, a long-time constituent and friend. I think a careful reading of this work would serve all the members of this body quite well.

The document follows: