

The department continued to grow with the community during the succeeding four decades. They made three additions to the existing firehouse, purchased new equipment, added ambulance service, and expanded their volunteer base and their activities in the community. Under the able leadership of Chief Tommy Manifold, President Gayle Moreland, and Delegates Matt Zang, Tammy Ladd, Jack Browning, and Leonard King the Deale Volunteer Fire Department is 71 members strong and operates three pumper engines, one ambulance, two brush units, and three fire and rescue boats.

The members of the Deale Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, past and present, are all heroes. Not because they have all saved a child from a burning house, but because for the past 50 years they have given their time, their effort, and risked their lives on behalf of their community. They don't do it for money. They don't do it for fame or acclamation. They do it, Mr. Speaker, because they care. They care about the safety of their fellow citizens and they care about the welfare of their community above that of their own—and that Mr. Speaker is my definition of a hero.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to congratulate the 50 years of service the Deale Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad has given their community and wish them continued success in their mission.

TRIBUTE CELEBRATING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WOODHAVEN RESIDENTS' BLOCK ASSOCIATION

HON. CHARLES E. SCHUMER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 1996

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join all New Yorkers in celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Woodhaven Residents' Block Association, the Guardian of the Woodhaven Community. I believe this association's dedication to making the community a safer place to live deserves considerable recognition.

Throughout the years, this organization has worked tirelessly in conjunction with the police captain and officers in the 102d precinct, and in the successful campaign to reopen the local firehouse, engine company 294.

In addition, the Woodhaven Residents' Block Association has also formed the Woodhaven Resident's Security Patrol that patrol our streets, and have been supportive through the years to the Greater Woodhaven Development Corp., the Woodhaven Richmond Hill, Kew Gardens Ambulance Corps, the 102d precinct auxiliary police and the new Woodhaven Business Improvement District.

Those living in the Woodhaven community have come to understand the importance of the block association. I urge all my colleagues and fellow residents of Brooklyn to congratulate the Woodhaven Residents' Block Association for 25 years of service to the community and wish them continued success in the future.

IN MEMORY OF FATHER JAMES W. SAUVÉ, S.J.

HON. JOSEPH M. McDADE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 1996

Mr. McDADE. Mr. Speaker, I know that many of my colleagues join me in mourning the untimely death of Father James W. Sauvé, S.J. on Monday, September 23. Father Sauvé's passing is mourned by many communities around the world including the Society of Jesus, the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities where he worked as executive director, Marquette University, the International Center for Jesuit Education in Rome, and the University of Scranton in Pennsylvania.

Father Sauvé was a nationally recognized leader in Jesuit education committed to the absolute best that is achievable for any human being. Throughout his life, Father Sauvé excelled at scholarship and inspired students and colleagues alike.

His proficiency in six languages allowed him to travel extensively throughout the world promoting all levels of Jesuit education.

In 1975, Father Sauvé organized the first worldwide meeting in Rome of all presidents of Jesuit colleges and universities. It was the first time in the 455 years of Jesuit history that a meeting of this magnitude was convened. It focused on the Jesuit mission of service of faith and promotion of justice worldwide.

Father Sauvé died unexpectedly of coronary complications at Georgetown University Hospital.

Survivors include his father, Willard F. Sauvé, an ordained permanent deacon in Two Rivers, WI, his step-mother, and his brother Dudley and his family in Farmville, VA.

The funeral for Father Sauvé is scheduled for Friday, September 27 at 7 p.m. at the Holy Family Chapel followed by an 8 p.m. Mass on Marquette University campus in Milwaukee, WI. Burial will be on Saturday at the Cemetery of Holy Cross.

There will also be a memorial service for Father Sauvé on Monday, September 30 at 7:30 p.m. at Dahlgren Chapel at Georgetown University here in Washington. Following the Mass, there will be a reception at the Jesuit Community next to the chapel.

TRIBUTE TO LOIS AND DICK GUNTHER

HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 1996

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to pay tribute to Lois and Dick Gunther, dear friends who this year are being given the Jewish Family Service's FAMMY Award. This award honors their outstanding community leadership and continuing devotion to Jewish Family Service. I cannot think of two more deserving recipients.

The Gunthers have a long and distinguished history of involvement in philanthropy and public service. For example, Dick is a cofounder of the Jewish Federation's Urban Affairs Committee; chaired and helped develop a community outreach Mid-Life Program at Cedars-

Sinai Hospital; along with the American Association of Retired Persons created the Legacy Award, where cash awards go to senior citizens who are performing extraordinary services in their communities; and has been on the board of directors of public television station KCET for 28 years.

Lois has been just as active. Several decades ago she became a participant in an interracial, interreligious panel of women called Portraits of American Women. She later turned her attention to the Jewish community, serving on the board of directors of Brandeis-Bardin Institute for many years, as well as on the advisory committee of the School of Jewish Communal Service of Hebrew Union College.

The Gunthers are also passionate about politics, contributing time and effort to a variety of causes and candidates. Dick was even included on President Richard Nixon's infamous Enemies List—a sure sign that he was doing something right.

With all their community and professional activities, somehow the Gunthers found the time to raise three sons and dote on four grandchildren. There is nothing more important to Lois and Dick than family.

I ask my colleagues to join me today in saluting Lois and Dick Gunther, whose selflessness and dedication are a shining example to us all. I am proud to call them my close friends.

OUTSTANDING NEW JERSEY CHEERLEADERS OF SHORECHEER INTERNATIONAL

HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 1996

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I recently had the opportunity to meet with Mr. Louis Pulcrano, coach of a unique group of students from Monmouth and Ocean Counties, NJ. These outstanding young women are members of ShoreCheer International, dedicated to excellence in cheerleading and service to their communities.

Not only have these athletes earned prestige for themselves in national and international cheerleading competitions, the young women have demonstrated great virtue and devotion in caring for those in need around them.

I was particularly moved by a special visit the young women of ShoreCheer made recently to Montoursville, PA, in an effort to help comfort those mourning the loss of family and friends who perished in the TWA Flight #800 tragedy. The cheerleaders spent time with their peers at the Montoursville High School and delivered messages of support and love. Once again, in a moment of sadness and need, these young women offered their time and energy to brighten the lives of others.

Mr. Speaker, I respectfully submit for the RECORD, an article written by the girls' coach, which outlines their numerous achievements and contributions to the community. I would first like to include a list of the names of the young women of ShoreCheer, so that we can all applaud their notable athletic distinction and, most importantly, the great kindness they show to others—something that impacts us all.

Senior All-Stars: Beth Allen; Wendy Dailey, Traci Mayer, Jill Balinski, Beth Hager, Heidi Farnham, Shannon O'Malley, Lauren Petty, Suzanne Heyniger, Kelly MacDonald, Melissa Lennon, Erin Lacey, Kristi Pilgrim, Brittany Larkin.

Junior Prep All-Stars: Laura Stogdill, Jenifer Vienna, Lauren Rogers, Anna Norcia, Danielle Berkely, Kristine Triola, Charolette Yorgenger, Nicole Gashlin, Kyle Allen, Rachele Rose, Meghan Ward.

Junior All-Stars: Krystle Berryman, Jenny Biancella, Julie Biancella, Caitlin Bilotta, Gina Cifelli, Brianna Dwyer, Amanda Foderaro, Megan Jakubowski, Lauren Krueger, Tara Luchetti, Nicole Masiero, Kristen McCormick, Lauren McCrossan, Melissa Millen, Krissie Previte, Amber Tempsick, Lauren McCormick.

With so much negative publicity directed toward today's youth, we in New Jersey take great pride in a very special group of young athletes, who have emerged, not only leading their State, but leading their Nation as well in the promotion of pride, honor, and dignity.

They have been called, "A fine example of what the youth of America can accomplish" by President of the United States, Bill Clinton, as during the past 7 years of their existence, ShoreCheer International, a cheerleading, educational, and community service program for youth of all ages, has won 125 trophies on the local, State, national and international levels and over 100 honors and recognitions all on the national and international levels for their community service and caring for others in need.

These very special young adults have accumulated some very special achievements over the past 7 years. They have coached one of our Nation's few cheerleading squads made up of handicapped children and successfully trained and entered them in major cheerleading competitions in 1993, 1994, and 1995. A music video was made of these dedicated young ladies working with these special children and it ended up being used as a training tape for Special Olympics in China. In 1994, the group produced a second music video promoting the "Cheerleaders Fighting Cancer" program, challenging every cheerleading squad in America to donate 5 percent of all money raised to help put an end to the disease of cancer. That same year, they were selected and honored for the second time by the President of the United States for winning the 1994 CANAM International Sportsmanship Award, presented to just one out of 60,000 cheerleading squads in North America.

They were 1995 International Championship trophy winners in Myrtle Beach, SC, where, after saving up for this trip for a year, gave up their only day of sun and fun on the beach, visiting and paying tribute to the local police, visited a nursing home where they delivered homemade cookies and ended their day visiting a hospital, delivering personal get-well messages to every patient in the hospital and stuffed animals to every child there as well.

In 1992, they were selected as one of just two high school youth groups out of over 400 high schools in their State to speak and perform at the Governor's Summit on Drug and Alcohol Abuse and have lectured numerous other young adults on the dangers of drug, tobacco, and alcohol abuse and the importance of practicing proper values.

Members of ShoreCheer were selected by the motion picture industry to coach movie star Christina Ricci, star of "Casper," "The Addams Family," "Mermaids," "Then and Now" for her next motion picture, "Last of the High Kings." ShoreCheer Senior All-Star Lauren Petty was selected and featured on

the front cover of American Cheerleader Magazine as "National Cheerleader of the Month" for February 1996. This year, and for the third year in a row, ShoreCheer will be representing cheerleaders from across the Nation as they have been selected and will perform in the Miss America Pageant Parade in Atlantic City.

Program cheerleaders have raised and donated funds to Hale House in New York City for babies born addicted to alcohol and drugs, to the Make-A-Wish Program, to the New Jersey Food Bank, the Red Cross, and Cheerleaders Fighting Cancer. They have twice performed half-time shows for the NBA New Jersey Nets.

The program received its spots highest honor when it was selected and won the 1995 National Outstanding Cheerleading Program of the Year Award for 1995-96. And most recently, 21 ShoreCheer International cheerleaders made a 500 mile, 10 hour round-trip to Montoursville, PA, on a mission of love and caring and to help in the healing process in a community which lost 21 of its members, including 16 high school students, in the TWA Flight 800 tragedy. The ShoreCheer girls met with the Montoursville High School Cheerleading Squad and presented them with six large megaphones containing close to 1,000 signatures and messages of support from cheerleaders all over the Northeast United States, a red rose for each family of the victims and had a star officially named "LoveCheer 800" in honor of those lost in the TWA tragedy. It was the words spoken by ShoreCheer cheerleader Lauren Petty which bonded the two groups together in a very special friendship as Lauren spoke these words of the twenty one victims:

"By reaching out with our hearts, no distance is too great to conquer and it is the love in our hearts that has brought us here today. And as the fingers of their love and the fingers of our love reach out and touch each other here today, we have bonded with them in eternal friendship—21 new friends who will be with us in mind and heart always."

The six megaphones will be placed on the Montoursville Athletic Field where two of the victims who were cheerleaders would normally cheer during the football season.

To date, ShoreCheer International Cheerleaders have performed live in front of over 2 million spectators from every State in the Nation and their dedication to dignity, honor, respect, pride, community, and those in need has won them recognition on four continents. This very special program and its very special young athletes can best be described by the words of the Governor of Alaska, Walter J. Hickel, "All of America is proud of you!"

THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF WNTM-AM 710

HON. SONNY CALLAHAN

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 1996

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Speaker, today commemorates 50 years of service from radio station WNTM-AM 710 in Mobile, AL. This station has bettered the lives of listeners throughout Mobile and Baldwin Counties by not only providing them with music, humor, and relaxation, but by informing them through news, sports, and local affairs. I rise today to applaud the efforts to those who have continued the tradition of this great station, and I wish to express my deep appreciation to them.

Originally signing on the air as WKRG in 1946, this station was born out of postwar exuberance, relief, and anticipation for the future. Although the station has been known by different call letters over the years, WNTM has always been influential in tapping Mobile's rich potential.

During a span of 50 years, WNTM has obviously created a number of local personalities who have turned the ears of listeners daily. From Jack Bitterman and Carl Haug, during the early years of the station's history, to current celebrities like Dick Scott and Mike Malone, these gentlemen, coupled with dozens of other loyal employees, past and present, have truly provided a quality, family oriented program to radio listeners throughout south Alabama. Special thanks should also go to Tim Camp, the current general manager of WNTM.

Mr. Speaker, it is with obvious pride that I ask my colleagues to join me, and thousands of south Alabamians, in celebrating the 50th anniversary of WNTM-AM 710. I wish to offer my deepest congratulations, as well as my gratitude for a job well done. Here's to the next 50 years.

TRIBUTE TO MAUREEN KENNEDY

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 1996

Mr. THOMPSON. Mr. Speaker, today, I would like to pay tribute to one of President Clinton's finest appointees, the Administrator of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Housing Service, Maureen Kennedy. As a result of the reorganization of the Department of Agriculture, Maureen Kennedy served as the first Administrator of the newly created Rural Housing Service [RHS]. In that role, she broke new ground by creating directives to change the priorities of the housing programs that were formerly administered by the Farmers Home Administration.

Shortly after accepting the position of Administrator, she traveled throughout the delta of my district to look at the challenges this poor section of the country faces each day. This was not a hollow/perfunctory visit to satisfy the request of the Congressman from the Second District of Mississippi. This was the work of a dedicated and sincere public servant—she observed, took notes, and then took steps to make a visible difference. In fact, she followed through on a commitment to return a year later and complete a project she had been working on—even though she was actually on maternity leave.

Maureen Kennedy is now leaving the RHS. I know Maureen well enough to know that she will continue to be a tireless advocate for the poor in her next undertaking. Many people in my district and across this Nation are better off today as a result of Maureen Kennedy's work.

In an era when it is extremely popular to denigrate public servants and label them unfit to represent the Government, I am pleased to have the opportunity to salute one who served this President, this Congress, and more importantly the people of this country with honor and distinction. Maureen will be missed. I am certain she will be successful in whatever endeavor she pursues in the future.