

such quality care to individuals. I also congratulate him on his election as the President of the American Association of Medical Society Executives. I am positive that he will continue his outstanding work in promoting the welfare of patients and improving the quality of our lives. Congratulations Mr. Guertin and I wish you the best in your quest to improve the lives of our community in the Bay Area and throughout the nation.

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 24, 2001*

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Mr. Speaker, during rollcall vote No. 257 on 7/23/2001 I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea".

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TRIBUTE TO THE LATE MARY G. IEZZI

**HON. JAMES A. TRAFICANT, JR.**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 24, 2001*

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, please insert the obituary on the attached sheet in today's CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

MARY G. IEZZI, 91, CO-FOUNDED ALBERINI'S NILES—Mary G. Iezzi, 91, 103 Moreland, died 3:52 a.m. Tuesday, May 1, 2001, at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Home.

She was born Aug. 28, 1909, in Niles, a daughter of August and Sadie Polita Corso.

Mrs. Iezzi co-founded Alberini's Restaurant with her daughter and son-in-law, where she worked in the kitchen, making her famous homemade spaghetti sauce for the past 43 years, until two months ago.

She was a member of the Niles Jehovah's Witnesses Kingdom Hall and enjoyed cooking.

Her husband, Thomas, whom she married Oct. 31, 1926, died July 28, 1978.

Survivors include a son, Raymond of Niles; a daughter Gilda Alberini of Warren; two brothers, Anthony and John Corso, both of Niles; two sisters, Catherine DiFebo of Hermitage, Pa. and Rose Liberatore of Niles; a granddaughter and caregiver with whom she resided, Mary Ann Nicholas of Niles; eight grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Two daughters, Sadie Nicholas and Isabelle Iezzi; two brothers, August and Joseph Corso, and two sisters, Margaret Soriano and Ann Corso, are deceased.

The funeral service is 11 a.m. Friday at Joseph Rossi Funeral Home in Niles, where friends may call 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday. Burial will be in Niles City Cemetery.

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TRIBUTE TO ROSALIE S. WOLF, PIONEER IN FIGHT AGAINST ELDER ABUSE

**HON. JAMES P. MCGOVERN**

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 24, 2001*

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Rosalie S. Wolf, Ph.D. Rosalie,

an international leader in the fight against elder abuse, the long time Director of the Institute on Aging of the University of Massachusetts Memorial Health Care System in Worcester, as well as a friend and constituent, passed away on June 26, 2001.

Rosalie Wolf was the Founder and President of the National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse. Through her research, advocacy, and coalition building skills, Rosalie brought the issue of elder abuse to the halls of Congress in search of legislative solutions. She helped raise the public consciousness about the scourge of elder abuse, neglect and exploitation.

During Rosalie's tenure as president, the Committee advised Congress and the Executive Branch on legislation and other programs that were needed to combat elder abuse and neglect. Rosalie testified on several occasions before Congress and served as a project director for three national programs funded by the Administration on Aging regarding elder abuse information dissemination. She also served as a delegate to the 1995 White House Conference on Aging and she helped secure passage of a resolution on elder abuse prevention.

In addition to these accomplishments, she also served as an organizational partner and member of the management team for the National Center on Elder Abuse in Washington. Rosalie worked as Editor and contributor to the highly acclaimed Journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect. Her impact was felt internationally when she worked to found the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse.

Rosalie Wolf was the recipient of many awards, most notably the Donald P. Kent award from the Gerontological Society of America for exemplifying the highest standards of professional leadership in gerontology through teaching, service, and interpretation of gerontology to the larger society.

The UMass Memorial Health Care System was fortunate to have Rosalie Wolf as the Executive Director of the Institute on Aging. National aging policy grows more important as the nation continues to age. Rosalie Wolf, through her work and leadership, became a true champion to those who were victimized by elder abuse.

The national aging network mourns the passing of Rosalie Wolf. She was a leader with great intellect and integrity. She was dedicated to her work and determined to make a difference in the fight against elder abuse. I offer these words on behalf of Rosalie and on behalf of her family, her many professional colleagues, and admirers.

At this point, I submit into the RECORD two additional items related to Rosalie Wolf. The first is her obituary from the Worcester Telegram and Gazette. The second is a heartfelt tribute written by a close colleague of Rosalie's from California, Lisa Nerenbert.

ROSALIE WOLF, 74

WORCESTER.—Rosalie (Savat) Wolf, 74, of 25 Ashmore Road, an active researcher and worker in the fields of elder abuse prevention and gerontology, died Tuesday, June 26, in UMass Memorial Medical Center—Memorial Campus after an illness.

Her husband, Wallace W. Wolf, died in 1988. She leaves two sons, Dr. Gary L. Wolf of Worcester and Dr. Jonathan S. Wolf of Upper Saddle River, N.J.; a daughter, Amy Wolf of New York City; her twin sister, Constance

Kreshtool of Wilmington, Del.; and five grandchildren. A sister, Nancy Melnik of Cherry Hill, N.J., predeceased her. She was born in Worcester, daughter of Samuel and Tillie (Lederman) Savat. She graduated from Classical High School and graduated with Phi Beta Kappa and summa cum laude honors from University of Wisconsin. She earned a doctorate in social welfare policy from Brandeis University in 1976.

Since 1990, Mrs. Wolf was executive director of the Institute on Aging at UMass Memorial Medical Center, and assistant professor of family medicine, community health and psychiatry at the University of Massachusetts Medical School. From 1981 to 1990, Mrs. Wolf was associate director of the University Center on Aging at University of Massachusetts Medical Center. She previously was director of the gerontology planning project at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center for four years. From 1976 to 1977, she was a project director of data monitoring and evaluation for the Division of Family Health Services, Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

She received numerous grants and awards for her research in elder abuse and authored and edited many articles on the subject. She was the founder and editor of the journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect.

Mrs. Wolf was active in the gerontology field on the local and national level, serving in several capacities. She was honored by Temple Emanuel as a life trustee. She also assisted in writing legislation for a number of states and testified before the U.S. Congress at least once or twice a year for the past 10 years.

The funeral service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, June 28, in Temple Emanuel, 280 May St. Burial will be in B'nai B'rith Cemetery. Memorial observance will be held through Sunday, July 1, at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Gary Wolf, 10 Donna Road. Memorial donations may be made to the Wallace W. Wolf Endowment Fund, Jewish Healthcare Center, 629 Salisbury St., Worcester, MA 01609; or to Temple Emanuel, 280 May St., Worcester, MA 01602. Perlman Funeral Home, 1026 Main St., is directing arrangements.

ROSALIE WOLF, PHD—IN MEMORIAM

(Submitted by Lisa Nerenberg, friend and colleague)

For over two decades, Dr. Rosalie Wolf was the driving force behind a movement to ensure the safety, security, and dignity of our nation's most vulnerable members . . . the elderly. She devoted much of her career to exploring the causes, patterns, and treatment of elder abuse and neglect through her own groundbreaking research and by promoting the work of others. She edited the Journal of Elder Abuse & Neglect, spearheaded multiple demonstration projects, and provided advise and help to countless organizations and individuals.

Dr. Wolf was committed to helping seniors remain in their homes and communities, avoiding unnecessary institutionalization. But she also recognized that achieving that goal required a safety net of supportive and protective services, and that to create such a safety net required the cooperation of multiple disciplines. Much of her work was devoted to promoting cross-disciplinary exchange and cooperation. She founded the National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, a remarkable diverse network of researchers, educators, police, prosecutors, advocates, health care professionals, and protective service personnel to promote research, advocate for enlightened policy, raise public awareness, create grassroots local programs, and promote collaboration. It is a distinctive and distinguished group;

the common thread among its members is the respect they share for Dr. Wolf. Bringing together people with diverse perspectives hasn't always been without strife. Different disciplines bring divergent views and interests to the table, particularly with respect to personal freedom, family responsibility, society's obligation to protect vulnerable members, and holding perpetrators accountable. Dr. Wolf thrived on creative exchange and believed that when committed, thinking people come together with a common purpose, their differences strengthen and enrich the field.

Her broad focus was also reflected in her work worldwide. She collaborated with scholars, teachers, and practitioners in Finland, Japan, India, Argentina, and the UK. She was a founding member and chair of the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, a member of the World Health Organization Consulting Group for the World Report on Violence, and a member of the Steering Committee of the United Nations International Working group on Trauma.

Dr. Wolf answered calls to the National Committee herself. Whether it was a senator calling for background on a proposed bill or a high school student writing a paper on abuse, she was equally receptive, equally gratified by their interest, and equally willing to drop what she was doing to be of help. She was a valued source of information and assistance for the Justice Department, the Department of Health and Human Services, and the National Institute on Aging. She served on government task forces and focus groups, and testified before Congressional committees on numerous occasions.

Dr. Wolf was Director of the institute on Aging at UMass Memorial Health Care in Worcester, and Assistant Professor in the Department of Medicine and Family Practice Studies at the University of Massachusetts Medical School. She was a member of the management team of the National Center on Elder Abuse and was active in the American Society on Aging and the Gerontological Society of America, which awarded her its Donald P. Kent award in 1998.

In the last year of her life, as her health declined, colleagues begged her to slow down—if not to pass the torch, then at least to let others help clear her path. But there was always one more conference, one more article, or one more new project to plan. It was her colleagues who ended up being swayed during these exchanges; they emerged with renewed energy and commitment. Her passion was contagious.

She brought people together, mentored, guided, encouraged, and motivated. She led with grace, dignity, wisdom, humility, and boundless energy. Even in death, she will continue to lead through the contributions she has left behind, the relationships she has forged, and the example she has set.

CONGRATULATING EL SEGUNDO  
POLICE CHIEF TIM GRIMMOND  
ON HIS RETIREMENT

**HON. JANE HARMAN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 24, 2001*

Ms. HARMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Tim Grimmond, who will be retiring at the end of this month as chief of the El Segundo Police Department.

For those of us who have been privileged to call him a friend, Tim's retirement is bitter-sweet. It's well-deserved, for sure, but for

those of us left to fight another day, Tim's departure from the ranks means that we will no longer have the benefit of his perseverance, his insight and expertise, and his leadership in the war against crime.

Tim dedicated his life and immense talents to the South Bay. His law enforcement career began at an early age, when he became a cadet in the Hermosa Beach Police Department in 1964. Transferring to the El Segundo Department in 1967, Tim advanced through the ranks, ultimately becoming Chief of Police in 1992—just as I was elected to Congress. How quickly time goes by.

In my view, what truly made Tim's tenure as chief unique was his vision in seeing how technology could be used to combat crime—how could be used to give law enforcement and citizens the upper hand in protecting lives, property, the peace and our values. To achieve this goal, Tim understood the importance of developing partnerships between local, state and federal governments. In fact, a success that he and I are particularly proud of is the siting in El Segundo of the Department of Justice's Western Regional Law Enforcement and Technology Center.

One of five federal centers nationwide, the Law and Tech Center's role is to research, review, develop, and implement innovative technologies for both regional and national law enforcement and corrections services. With an

More recently, I worked with Tim on the issue of radio interoperability. Given the multiplicity of broadcast frequencies and varying radio equipment, it's sometimes seems easier for one police agency to yell out the window to another than to find a common broadcast frequency or compatible equipment. In a region the size and population of Los Angeles County, and with our history of natural disasters, this shouldn't be the case and, under Tim's leadership, we are beginning the process of solving this communications problem.

Knowing him as we do, it's easy to believe that Tim is a mentor to many. He is generous in the amount of time and energy he devotes to his profession, to his fellow officers, to civic groups, and to young people. I am honored that he devoted time to me—inviting me to join him and the other South Bay chiefs in learning about the challenges that face law enforcement. Armed with the guidance and advice that Tim and others have given, I am proud to have translated their needs into federal policies supportive of their hard work.

Of course, any list of accomplishments doesn't begin to summarize one's life—particularly one as active as Tim's. Indeed, I was surprised recently to learn that Tim is a talented artist. He enjoys the arts of wood-working and painting and one of his water-colors hangs in my Redondo Beach district office. What other hidden talents does he have besides frequenting "Blackie's House of Beef" when he's in Washington, DC?

I will miss having Tim as one of the police chiefs in the 36th district, but he will forever remain a friend and an inspiration on the true meaning of public service.

IN RECOGNITION OF BRIAN COSS  
HEROISM

**HON. JOHN SHIMKUS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 24, 2001*

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Brian Coss of Nokomis, Illinois, for his recent show of courage at the Nokomis Park Pool.

Brian Coss has worked as a lifeguard at the pool for the past four years. Recently, when a woman became disoriented and ended up face-down in the water, Brian quickly responded by diving in an rescuing her. If he had not spotted the woman, she would have drowned.

Brian Coss is a diligent, 18 year-old high school student who is spending his summer working two jobs. He is also an Eagle Scout and junior assistant scoutmaster for a local scout troop. Brian Coss certainly deserves our recognition for his hard work and bravery.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 24, 2001*

Mr. SCHAKOWSKY. Mr. Speaker, during rollcall vote No. 258 on July 23, 2001 I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea".

A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO RANGER  
ROBERT GEER ON THE OCCASION  
OF HIS INDUCTION INTO THE  
RANGER HALL OF FAME

**HON. PAUL E. GILLMOR**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 24, 2001*

Mr. GILLMOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a truly great American. An American war hero who will soon be inducted into the United States Army Ranger Hall of Fame. Mind you, being a Ranger to begin with is an honor in itself, but being inducted into the Ranger Hall of Fame is an honor of unbelievable proportions. On Wednesday, July 25, 2001, Robert Geer of Norwalk, Ohio will join the ranks of the elite as an inductee in to the US Army Ranger Hall of Fame in Fort Benning, GA.

Soon after the conclusion of World War II, Robert Geer joined the US Army in 1948. His Army career only lasted 4 years, but they were extraordinary years. In 1950, he volunteered for the prestigious Rangers and was assigned to 1st Ranger Infantry Company (Airborne).

As the Korean War escalated he was sent into action on the Asian continent. One particular battle in February of 1951, the Battle of Chipyeong-Ni, ended his Army career. On February 3, the 23rd Regimental Combat Team (RCT), under the command of Colonel Paul Freeman, was ordered to hold a crossroad and protect the vital communications hub at Chipyeong-Ni. During the next several days,