

and promote combined efforts to reduce the threat of nuclear war and lower military spending.

PeacePAC is an affiliate of the Council for a Livable World, founded in 1962 by nuclear scientists concerned about the menace of nuclear war. Since its inception, the Council has helped elect over 104 U.S. Senators. The Council's ability to raise millions of dollars for candidates has helped it gain recognition as the electoral arm of the peace movement. In 1982, the Council organized PeacePAC to help elect candidates to the House. As a non-partisan, grass-roots political action committee, PeacePAC supports candidates for the U.S. House of Representatives who are committed to nuclear arms control, nuclear disarmament, the prevention of nuclear war, and significant reductions in military spending.

It is a pleasure to honor Suzy—a fellow Michiganiian, who has served in and out of political life in Washington since 1966 when she worked as a personal assistant to Representative Seymour Halpern from New York. She was elected as a Udall delegate to the Democratic Convention in 1976, and went on to serve President Carter as the Assistant Director of the White House Visitor's Office from 1977 to 1980. While raising her two children, Sarah and Charlie, with her husband, Gordon Kerr, she worked for the New York State Assembly in Washington, D.C., and completed her Bachelor of Arts at American University.

In the mid-eighties, she became the Field Director, and later the Washington Director for Women's Action for a New Direction (WAND). During Suzy's tenure at WAND, it was the only national women's activist and grassroots PAC focused on advocating for nuclear arms control and disarmament and reductions in military spending.

In 1991, Suzy became the Executive Director of PeacePAC. During Suzy's tenure, PeacePAC has raised nearly \$1.5 million for pro-arms control candidates. In the last few years, PeacePAC has contributed more to deservicing candidates in critical House races than all other peace political action committees combined. Currently, 78 Members of Congress have been helped by PeacePAC.

Representing concerned voters and contributors from across the country, Suzy has used PeacePAC's substantive expertise and political power to ensure that strong voices in the House are committed to reducing the nuclear threat and defining national security in terms of domestic as well as military concerns.

As PeacePAC supporters know, the sweeping changes in the post-Cold War world have given us an unprecedented opportunity to elect members who will question "big-ticket" items such as the B-2 Stealth Bomber and a misguided missile defense that has yet to test successfully. I am confident and grateful that even as Suzy completes her service, PeacePAC will continue to work for the election of candidates who will fight for policies and budgets that reflect the new international realities of an increasingly inter-dependent global community.

Of course, we wish Suzy every success in her new endeavor: supervising the day-to-day progress of her first grandchild, Porter Jay Iselin.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Congress, the members and supporters of PeacePAC and the Council for a Livable World, and all who have benefited from her work, I thank you for

the opportunity to give recognition to Suzanne S. Kerr, for her service to the nation and the world on behalf of peace and security.

#### TRIBUTE TO HARRY W. EARLE JR.

##### HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 3, 2001*

Mr. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor Harry W. Earle Jr., a great American, an outstanding and devoted citizen and a respected community leader who passed away on April 26, 2001, at the age of 76. He and his wife Barbara of 56 years have three sons and two daughters, David, Gordon and John, Penhryn Cook and Barbara Ballard, as well as 11 grandchildren.

Born in Norwalk, Connecticut, Harry Earle made Darien, Connecticut his home for over 50 years. Harry Earle attended Williams College until his induction into the United States Air Force in 1943, during which time he flew more than fifty B-17 missions over southern Europe, earning the distinction of the Distinguished Flying Cross.

He began his career in the printing industry with McCall Corporation before becoming senior executive at J.W. Clement Company, Arcata Printing Company, and W.A. Krueger Company. He would later serve as President, CEO and Chairman of the Board of the Banta Corporation for over a decade. In 1989, Harry Earle received one of the highest honors of his profession when he was inducted into the Printing Industry Hall of Fame.

Harry Earle was also a proud and active member of the public sector. Upon his return from the Second World War, he became perhaps the youngest member ever elected to the Board of Selectmen in Darien. He would later serve on the Darien Police Commission, the Board of Finance, the Coastal Harbor Commission, the first and second Charter Revision Commission, Darien Library's Board of Trustees, and the Family Counseling Service. He also served as campaign director for the Darien United Way, and recently as chairman of the Darien Senior Men's Association.

Harry Earle was also known as a passionate student of art. The ease with which he mastered this subject is a testament to his considerable talent, with his work being shown, appreciated and celebrated in his community.

Harry Earle enriched the lives of countless people as an understanding and fair manager. With his intelligence, common sense, warmth, and wisdom, he earned the respect of everyone who crossed his path. I know this because I worked for him, and had the opportunity to see Harry Earle up close. His integrity, his grace under pressure, and his professionalism were instructive to me and have shaped my thinking, my approaches and my work throughout my adult life. For all his leadership qualities and corporate distinctions, Harry Earle was grounded in his faith and his family. These were the riches of his life.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to this good man and extend to his magnificent family our sympathy. Harry Earle was a man of many seasons. He was a gifted leader, a great husband, a terrific father, a proud grandfather, a master sailor, and a

fabulous tennis player. He was a proud American and a decent man. How privileged I was to have known him. How blessed our nation is to have had him as a son. We are a better people because of him.

#### TRIBUTE TO THE PENNSAUKEN HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ BAND

##### HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 3, 2001*

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend and congratulate the hard work and effort of the Pennsauken High School Jazz Band. The Band has performed at the Inauguration of Christine Whiteman, Penns Landing in Philadelphia, Lincoln Center in New York City and various colleges and universities. They have won the Dixie Classics Championship and several other distinguished honors such as Best Rhythm Section, Best Trumpet Section, Best Trombone Section, outstanding soloist awards and many overall outstanding band awards. The Pennsauken Jazz Band secured 2nd place in the New Jersey State Finals, along with awards for the best trumpet section and rhythm section in the State. Additionally, the band has received a Superior Rating at every festival they have performed in. The members of the Spring 2000 Jazz Band are: Zachary Andrews; Frank Cuccio; Kristin Cuccio; Julia DePasquale; Anthony DiDomenico; Steven Engel; Eli Ferrer; Steven Forrest; Tim Gerard; Rob Hill; Christine Hinton; Rich Johnson; Ken Juray; Brian Kilpatrick; Nathan Kranefeld; Joe Lucidi; Jim MacKenzie; Ben Markowitz; Corey Mossop; Louis Muzyczek; Dominic Natale; Jeff Rivera; Rich Slack; Ernest Stuart; Perry Sutton; Vincent Williams. I wish you all the best and continued success in your endeavors.

#### IN HONOR OF 140TH ANNIVERSARY OF SAINT MARY, STAR OF THE SEA

##### HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 3, 2001*

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 140th Anniversary of Saint Mary, Star of the Sea. The church has served the community of Bayonne, New Jersey since 1861. Saint Mary's will celebrate its anniversary with a special dinner dance and liturgy on May 5, 2001.

Saint Mary, Star of the Sea is considered the Mother Church of Bayonne. It was founded in a small, humble church to serve the needs of Irish and German Catholic immigrants. Today, Saint Mary's resides in a beautiful Gothic style church, the cornerstone of which was laid on May 22, 1880. Construction was completed and the church was blessed on November 8, 1881.

Saint Mary's has benefited from the continuous presence of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Chestnut Hill, who have worked with the church since 1879, when the parish school opened. Today, the school, which offers preschool through grade 8 instruction, has a student body of 300 children. Because of its

record of academic excellence, the school is considered one of the best in the area.

The Church recently adopted a mode of management that focuses on mission and ministry, which is called a Pastoral Council of Ministries. Under this form of management, parish ministries are clustered into four different areas: Word, Worship, Community, and Service. This will help strengthen community outreach and spiritual guidance throughout the parish. In addition, the church is focused on revitalizing existing structures and the formation and construction of a Parish Center, which would provide places for meetings and offices for parish groups. To meet its goals, two new programs have been implemented: the Stewardship Renewal process and the Treasure the Traditional Campaign. Each will help raise needed funds for growth and revitalization.

Throughout the community of Bayonne, Saint Mary's is well known for its compassion and generosity and for its involvement in the parish. Saint Mary's stands poised to continue as caretaker of the spiritual needs of the residents of Bayonne well into the new millennium.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Saint Mary, Star of the Sea, the Mother Church of Bayonne, on its 140th Anniversary.

#### TRIBUTE TO MYRA OLSHANSKY

##### HON. JOSEPH M. HOFFEL

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 3, 2001

Mr. HOFFEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Myra Olshansky on her retirement after 38 years of dedicated service at Olney High School in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Her fine example of professional dedication is truly admirable.

Myra is a graduate of Philadelphia High School for Girls where she graduated Magna Cum Laude. She went on to attend the University of Pennsylvania where she received her degree in English in 1963. She has served as an English teacher, Acting Department Head, as Coordinator, Resources-in-Action Charter and the Coordinator for The Academy of Travel and Tourism, SLC. During her tenure she has taught some 10,000 students. Under Myra's direction, Olney High School has implemented a college prep program which partners Olney students with the Penn State Abington campus and this year with LaSalle University. The program has been a dramatic success.

Myra was the subject of an in-depth piece by the Philadelphia Inquirer's Today Magazine in 1982, which focused upon the daily rigors that teachers face. She was able to show the public the typical environment that one would experience in a day at Olney High.

Her dedication does not stop at the classroom but continues into her community. She is a member of the Golden Slipper Club & Charities, the West Point Parents Club of the Delaware Valley, the William Penn Charter School Community Association and the National Association of Teachers of English.

It is honor to recognize Myra Olshansky and the outstanding service she has given to the students of Olney High School. She has been

steadfast in her belief that the youth are our future. I commend her for her decades of contributions and wish her well.

#### NURSES MONTH

##### HON. ROBERT A. UNDERWOOD

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 3, 2001

Mr. UNDERWOOD. Mr. Speaker, in recognition of the services and benefits provided to the island by the members of the nursing profession, Guam has designated the month of May 2001 as "Nurses Month." This proclamation has added significance for it coincides with the golden anniversary of the Guam Nurses Association (GNA).

Incorporated in 1951, GNA will mark the fiftieth year of the organization's existence on July 20 of this year. Isabella Tremor, Maria C. Flores, Joaquina Siguenza, Maria S.N. Mateo, and Maria P. Blas, the first to serve as directors of the fledgling organization, were all employees of the Guam Memorial Hospital (GMH). In addition to nurses from the local mental health facility and the Naval Hospital, GNA membership today include nurses from the Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services, the Guam Department of Education, the University of Guam, the Guam Community College, home care services, private clinics, and long term care facilities. GNA membership also includes a number of retired nurses, nurses working in non-health care areas, and nurses residing outside of Guam.

A reorganization in 1968 led to GNA's entry as a constituent member of the American Nurses Association (ANA). Its first delegate, Mabelclaire Norman Dean of the School of Nursing College of Guam, attended ANA's 1968 convention in Dallas, Texas on behalf of the association's officers and members. Sister M. LeClare served as the first president of the reorganized GNA. Luz Abdece was vice-president, Veronica Camacho served as secretary and Connie Tolentino was named as Treasurer. This year, GNA marks its thirty-third year of affiliation with the ANA.

A charter member of the American Pacific Nursing Leaders Council (APLNC), GNA holds the distinction of having two of its members, Sally Tsuda and Mary Sanchez, as APLNC founding members. Founded in June 1978 in Hawaii, APLNC is another organization with which GNA retains affiliations and, for the past 22 years, actively supported.

In its fifty years of existence, GNA has evolved from a small congregation of local nurses to a professional organization which has gained both regional and national recognition. The association has worked to benefit not only its members but all who work in the health care profession and the people they serve. GNA has played a large role in maintaining the quality of healthcare on Guam. The association continually strives towards a bright future for the nursing profession on Guam.

As we celebrate "Nurses Month," we must take a moment to reflect upon the services provided by the people dedicated to the nursing profession. While the demand for nursing services continually increase nationwide, we look upon organizations such as GNA to provide the necessary guidance and direction that will enable us to cope with the needs and,

hopefully, prevent future problems on our island of Guam.

I congratulate the members, officers and board of directors of the Guam Nurses Association as they celebrate their golden anniversary. I would like to submit for the RECORD the names of the GNA's golden anniversary officers and board of directors.

Guam Nurses Association, 2001 Officers and Board of Directors: Rosita Yamashita, President; Dave Hendricks, Vice-President; Rosette Rama, Rec. Secretary; Rosalia Ligon, Treasurer/Director at Large; Tina Blas, Corr. Secretary; Glynis Almonte, Executive Director.

Directors at Large: Mary Ann Gozum, Andrea Fung, Lou Leon Guerrero, Jo Ann Toves.

Standing Committee Chairpersons: Lori Duenas (ByLaws), Perla DeLuna (Finance), Echie Macalino (Membership), Tina Blas (Newsletter), Lou Leon Guerrero (Program), Tina Blas (Annual Nurses' Celebration), Dave Hendricks (Recognition and Awards), Cecelia Santos (CNet), Ruth Gurusamy (Commission on Nursing Leadership).

#### HONORING THE MEN OF THE U.S.S. "BOISE"

##### HON. WILLIAM D. DELAHUNT

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 3, 2001

Mr. DELAHUNT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the brave men of the cruiser U.S.S. *Boise*, who played such an important role in helping secure freedom from oppression during the second World War. They will be gathering once again for their annual reunion in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma on May 3, 4, and 5 of 2001. It has been 56 years since the guns fell silent across the vast stretches of the Pacific and European theaters of combat. The passing of time has thinned their ranks, but the memories of their deeds in fighting for the liberty we enjoy today will never fade.

Representative of the sacrifices of this Greatest Generation, is the late Robert Brooks of Weymouth, Massachusetts, whose wife, Eleanor, will attend this year's reunion. Robert was only 18 years old when he enlisted in the United States Navy in 1941. During the next four years, Bob and his shipmates would witness some of the most famous and horrific battles in history. The *Boise* was at Guadalcanal in 1942 and participated in the Battle of Cape Esperance, where she suffered damage from Japanese shells. She provided cover to Allied troops during the invasions of Sicily and the Italian mainland in 1943. The year 1944 found the *Boise* operating along the coast of New Guinea, and in October of 1944 she took part in the Battle of Surigao Strait, which was a part of the larger Battle of Leyte Gulf, among the greatest naval battles in history. The ship also had the honor of hosting General Douglas MacArthur for a tour of the Philippines and Borneo during June of 1945 before returning stateside in July of 1945.

After the war, Robert Brooks, like most of his shipmates, returned to the States where he lived, worked, and provided for his family on the South Shore of Boston. When our country needed them, they answered the call. They did their duty, literally saved the world, and returned home to raise their own families during one of America's greatest eras of prosperity. Their legacy is the peace, security and