

PAYING TRIBUTE TO ESTHER  
MASH

**HON. SCOTT McINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 27, 2002*

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Esther Mash and thank her for her extraordinary contributions to the children of Mesa County and the State of Colorado. Her life-long dedication to her job as a schoolteacher and now as a volunteer at her local elementary school is matched only by the level of integrity and honesty with which she has conducted herself each and every day. The children whose lives she has touched are eternally grateful for all that she has taught them in her lifetime of public service.

At age ninety-one, Esther is the oldest volunteer in the Mesa County Retired Senior Volunteer Program. Every weekday, Esther walks to Taylor Elementary to volunteer her mornings and afternoons to tutor needy children. Known to the children as "Grandma Mash," Esther brings to the classroom the rare gift of a lifetime of experience gained as a teacher for over 20 years with District 51, located in southeast Colorado. She retired in 1975, after providing countless children with the gift of learning.

Esther continued to dedicate her efforts to children when she moved to Palisade, Colorado in 1995. There, she began to volunteer at Taylor Elementary, and continues to enjoy the respect and adulation from colleagues and children throughout the school. The school community, from the principal and teachers to the children and parents, has repeatedly expressed their gratitude for Esther's volunteer efforts. Taylor Elementary recently awarded her efforts with the title of "extraordinary volunteer."

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I bring to the attention of this body of Congress, and this nation, the life and spirit of such an

incredible woman. Throughout her life, Esther has managed to enrich and improve the lives of those around her. She continues to dedicate her time and energy to bring the gift of learning to children throughout the community. Esther Mash is truly an inspiration to all of us and I am honored to recognize her passion for life and indomitable human spirit that sets an example of charity to us all.

IN HONOR OF MAYOR PATRICIA  
SIANO-GILLIGAN

**HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 27, 2002*

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mayor Patricia Siano-Gilligan of Keansburg, New Jersey, who was honored on February 22, 2002, at the First Annual Keansburg Mayor's Ball.

Mayor Gilligan was born in Hoboken, New Jersey, and lived in Union City and Carteret before moving to Keansburg sixteen years ago.

In 1994, Mayor Gilligan was elected to the Keansburg City Council, where she served until 1998, becoming the youngest councilperson ever elected to office in the Bayshore area of New Jersey. Following her tenure as councilperson, she focused her efforts on reorganizing the Keansburg Democratic Party preparation for the General Election of 2000.

Patricia Siano-Gilligan was sworn-in as the Mayor of Keansburg in 2000, becoming the only female mayor in the Bayshore area, as well as the youngest mayor in the area. Mayor Gilligan was a founding member of "Save the Bay" Committee, which successfully stopped a proposed waste site off the coast of Keansburg.

For several years, she has been a dedicated basketball and softball coach, and is active with such veterans' organizations as the

American Legion and VFW, as well as various senior citizen organizations.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Mayor Patricia Siano-Gilligan of Keansburg, New Jersey, for her many accomplishments and her dedication to public service.

HONORING DON OLSEN

**HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 27, 2002*

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Don Olsen on the occasion of the completion of his term as President of the Eastern Madera County Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Olsen provided valuable leadership during his tenure and has an exemplary record of career and civic leadership. He served as the Chamber's President from January 1, 2001, until December 31, 2001.

Mr. Olsen has been a member of the Eastern Madera County Chamber of Commerce for five years. As President, he coordinated the effort of the organization's many officers, directors, and committee chairpersons to create an effective mechanism to organize and sponsor many successful projects that benefited the local community, the business community, and local civic organizations.

In addition to his responsibilities with the Eastern Madera County Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Olsen has been a member of the Oakhurst Sierra Sunrise Rotary for seven years, Director for the Boys and Girls Club of Oakhurst, and Senior Coach of Sierra Little League for three years.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Don Olsen for his service as President to the Eastern Madera County Chamber of Commerce. I invite my colleagues to join me in thanking him for his community service and wishing him many more years of continued success.

## SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, February 28, 2002 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

## MEETINGS SCHEDULED

## MARCH 1

10 a.m.  
Governmental Affairs  
International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine U. S. policy in Iraq.  
SD-342

## MARCH 5

9:30 a.m.  
Armed Services  
To hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on unified and regional commanders, military strategy and operational requirements.  
SH-216

10 a.m.  
Indian Affairs  
To hold hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2003 for Indian programs.  
SR-485

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs  
To hold oversight hearings to examine accounting and investor protection issues raised by Enron and other public companies.  
SD-538

Appropriations  
Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary Subcommittee  
To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Judiciary.  
SD-138

Judiciary  
To hold hearings on pending executive branch nominations.  
SD-226

2:30 p.m.  
Veterans' Affairs  
To hold hearings on the nomination of Robert H. Roswell, of Florida, to be Under Secretary for Health, and Daniel L. Cooper, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Benefits, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs.  
SR-418

Governmental Affairs  
To hold hearings on the nomination of Jeanette J. Clark, to be an Associate

Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.  
SD-342

Armed Services  
SeaPower Subcommittee  
To hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003, focusing on Marine Corps modernization programs.  
SR-222

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions  
To hold hearings to examine the dangers of cloning and the promise of regenerative medicine.  
SD-430

## MARCH 6

9:30 a.m.  
Governmental Affairs  
To hold hearings to examine the monitoring of accountability and competition in the Federal and Service Contract Workforce.  
SH-216

Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry  
To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Thomas C. Dorr, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, and to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development, Nancy Southard Bryson, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture, and Grace Trujillo Daniel, of California, and Fred L. Dailey, of Ohio, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation, Farm Credit Administration.  
SD-106

10 a.m.  
Armed Services  
Readiness and Management Support Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine financial management issues of the Department of Defense.  
SR-222

Appropriations  
Defense Subcommittee  
To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Army budget.  
SD-192

Foreign Relations  
To hold hearings to examine the terrorist nuclear threat, focusing on dirty bombs and basement nukes.  
SD-419

Budget  
To hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2003, focusing on analysis of the Congressional Budget Office.  
SD-608

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions  
Public Health Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine the improvement of surveillance of chronic conditions and potential links to environmental exposures.  
SD-430

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs  
To hold oversight hearings to examine accounting and investor protection issues raised by Enron and other public companies.  
SD-538

10:30 a.m.  
Judiciary  
Antitrust, Competition and Business and Consumer Rights Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine cable competition, focusing on the Echostar-Direct TV merger.  
SD-226

2:30 p.m.  
Commerce, Science, and Transportation  
Communications Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine wireless communications infrastructure in the United States.  
SR-253

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs  
Housing and Transportation Subcommittee  
To hold oversight hearings to examine the proposed reauthorization of the HUD McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistant Act Programs.  
SD-538

Armed Services  
Emerging Threats and Capabilities Subcommittee  
To hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense, focusing on nonproliferation programs of the Department of Energy and the Cooperative Threat Reduction program of the Department of Defense.  
SR-222

Intelligence  
To hold closed hearings on pending intelligence matters.  
SH-219

## MARCH 7

9:30 a.m.  
Armed Services  
To hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense, and the Future Years Defense Program.  
SH-216

10 a.m.  
Veterans' Affairs  
To hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentations of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Jewish War Veterans, Blinded Veterans Association, the Non-Commissioned Officers Association, and the Military Order of the Purple Heart.  
345, Cannon Building

Appropriations  
Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary Subcommittee  
To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Federal Communications Commission.  
SR-253

Indian Affairs  
To resume hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2003 for Indian programs.  
SR-485

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs  
To hold oversight hearings to examine the semi-annual report on Monetary Policy of the Federal Reserve.  
SD-106

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions  
To hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for national service programs.  
SD-430

2:30 p.m.  
Energy and Natural Resources  
National Parks Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine S. 1069, to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers from the majority of the trails in the System; S. 213, to amend the National Trails System Act to update the feasibility and suitability studies of 4 national historic trails and provide for possible additions to such trails; H.R. 1384, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Navajo Long