

CALLAWAY GARDENS 50TH
ANNIVERSARY

HON. MAC COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2002

Mr. COLLINS. Mr. Speaker, on May 21, 2002 one of Georgia's treasures will celebrate its 50th anniversary. Created as a place "prettier than anything since the Garden of Eden," Cason and Virginia Callaway envisioned a verdant preserve of some of the most beautiful flora and fauna in our Nation. Today, Callaway Gardens is all of that and so much more.

Featuring the world's largest man-made inland, white-sand beach, a world-class resort, the world's largest azalea garden, acclaimed golf, birds of prey program, and a collection of plumleaf azaleas, a plant which the Callaway's rescued from the verge of extinction, Callaway Gardens has been a place of relaxation and beauty for generations of Americans.

Keats once wrote,

A thing of beauty is a joy forever:
Its loveliness increases; it will never
Pass into nothingness; but still will keep
A bower quiet for us, and a sleep
Full of sweet dreams, and health, and quiet
breathing.

That is the most appropriate description I have ever heard for Callaway Gardens.

As the family of Cason and Virginia Callaway celebrate the 50th anniversary of their parents' dream, I congratulate them for continuing to make that dream a reality. A friend of farmers, environmentalists, and those who appreciate beauty, the Callaways have crafted a marvel of modern day horticulture and botany in the midst of rural Georgia. I am pleased to represent the people who work at and lead Callaway Gardens, and I am pleased that such a thing of beauty is located in the Third District of the great State of Georgia.

HONORING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BROYHILL CREST CITIZEN'S ASSOCIATION

HON. TOM DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2002

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a community in Fairfax County, Broyhill Crest Citizen's Association, on its 50th Anniversary. This neighborhood has been providing families with the best Annandale, Virginia has to offer for many years and is well-positioned to continue to do so in the future.

Broyhill Crest Citizen's Association was founded in 1952 and held its first meeting on Annandale Road with 24 families in attendance. Today, the membership includes 1150 families covering an area of almost 20 miles, including 15 subdivisions. With a goal of being more effective in county matters, the Broyhill Crest Citizen's Association joined the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations in 1953, and today is one of the largest associations in the County Federation.

Priding itself on community relations, the Broyhill Crest Citizen's Association is in con-

stant contact with its residents. Monthly board meetings and an annual meeting held each Spring allow residents an opportunity to have their voices heard, discuss problems and speak directly to elected officials. The monthly newsletter, which has evolved from a mimeograph hand-delivered bulletin in the last 50s to a printed publication mailed to residents today, is the Association's main means of communication with its residents.

The Broyhill Crest Citizen's Association strives to make our community a better place. Through close relationships with local government officials, it monitors plans and policies to keep residents informed. Social activities, including the annual Easter Egg Hunt, July 4th Celebration, and Santa Visit, have become highlights of the community calendar, providing a festive gathering place for residents, guests, local officials, and families.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, I want to thank the Broyhill Crest Citizen's Association for all it has provided to the community and congratulate all of its members on this momentous occasion which will be celebrated on Tuesday, April 23, 2002. I hope that all of my colleagues will join me in congratulating the Broyhill Crest Citizen's Association on 50 years of service and wishing them the best in the years to come.

INTRODUCTION OF OVARIAN
CANCER DETECTION LEGISLATION

HON. STEVE ISRAEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2002

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, today I am proud to announce I am introducing in Congress with Representative DELAURO of Connecticut a resolution that will result in the National Institutes of Health conducting a complete, multi-institutional trial of a potentially huge breakthrough in early ovarian cancer detection.

About 75 percent of women with ovarian cancer are diagnosed in the advanced stage of the disease, when survival rates are only 20 percent for five years. Early detection brings survival up to 95 percent. Scientists from the FDA and the National Cancer Institute reported in early February that patterns of protein found in blood serum may reflect the presence of the disease.

Our resolution will make sure that the National Institutes of Health completes a full field test of the new ovarian cancer early detection process. If the full trial of this simple blood test for ovarian cancer proves effective, I will fight to require that the blood test be given to all women as part of their annual gynecological exam and that Medicare/Medicaid and private insurance fully cover the procedure.

Tough legislation? You bet! But the time to act is now.

Ovarian cancer, the deadliest of the gynecologic cancers, is the fourth leading cause of cancer death among U.S. women. Ovarian cancer occurs in one out of 57 women; an estimated 13,900 American women died from ovarian cancer in 2001 alone.

The question before us today is whether we have the determination to commit our national resources to the health of our people. Some people say we don't have the resources to

provide for the health needs of our women. But if we would stop throwing away \$40 billion to farmers not to grow crops, maybe then we could insure that women who undergo the trauma of mastectomy are not thrown out of hospitals after 1 day. Instead of spending \$35 billion in subsidies to the biggest Gas, Oil, Drilling and Mining Companies in America, how about subsidizing a prescription drug benefit for seniors? If we would stop retroactive corporate tax giveaways to provide the biggest corporations in America with a retroactive repeal, a rebate check, of corporate taxes dating back to 1986 so that ENRON would have received a payment from you for \$125 million in rebated corporate taxes when it did not pay a penny in corporate taxes for the past 4 years. How about making sure those companies pay their fair share and maybe we could save the lives of our women from ovarian cancer. If we would close tax loopholes that permit rich corporations to run off to Bermuda to avoid paying US taxes, then maybe we could provide a prescription health benefit, reform the HMO system, broaden the scope of research and coverage on women gynecological cancers.

Governing is about making choices, and Representative ROSA DELAURA and I are here today to make a choice. We are choosing the life of the women of America, and that's why we are introducing this important resolution.

Our nation has found the resolve and the resources to tackle the most difficult problems on earth, to produce the most advanced technology, to produce the weapons we need to protect our national security. We must now find the resolve and the resources to protect our people, and especially our women, from the ravages of disease.

Mr. Speaker, that is our obligation. It is my obligation. I am confident we can achieve our goals by working together.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF NATIONAL
4-H PROGRAM

HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2002

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, let me take this means to congratulate and pay tribute to 4-Hers all over America as they celebrate 4-H's centennial. This year, the National 4-H Program celebrates 100 years of helping young people develop skills to improve their lives and contribute to their communities.

This year, 4-H programs in all 50 states will conduct meetings, seminars, and listening sessions at the local, state, and national levels to discuss strategies for youth development in the 21st century. The National 4-H Program Centennial Initiative will culminate in a report to Congress and the President with recommendations on the programs that are best suited to helping America's youth.

Missouri 4-H programs are coordinated by University Outreach and Extension, which is a partnership of the University of Missouri, Lincoln University, the United States Department of Agriculture, and county governments. 4-H is often associated with rural communities, but today more than 1000 Missouri 4-H clubs serve as many young people from suburban and urban areas as from farms and small towns.

Although 4-H has changed over the years to meet the changing needs of Missouri families, clubs continue to live up to the 4-H motto: to make the best better. Group focused and family oriented, 4-H promotes positive physical, mental, and emotional growth through programs that help young people build self-confidence and acquire essential life skills. Today's 4-H features programs covering traditional topics such as cooking and agriculture as well as classes about the environment, workforce preparation, leadership and teamwork, and community involvement.

Missouri 4-H programs are intended for youth of all income levels, abilities, and ethnic backgrounds. With the upcoming centennial celebrations, it is an especially good time for anyone who is interested in joining or volunteering for 4-H to get involved. I know the Members of the House will join me in congratulating the National 4-H Program on reaching this outstanding milestone.

TRIBUTE TO ANTHONY J.
BELLOMO, LITURGICAL ARTIST
OF THE YEAR AWARD

HON. DAVID E. BONIOR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2002

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to pay tribute to a man whose leadership and achievements in art, building, and craftsmanship has touched the lives of so many across southeastern Michigan and beyond. Anthony Bellomo, or Tony, as many of his friends and associates have come to know him, has put Mount Clemens, MI, on the map as a center of some of America's finest liturgical art. This year, as the Ministry and Liturgy Magazine of San Jose, CA, selected their "Liturgical Artist of the Year", they honored Tony Bellomo for his wining art "Trinity in Glory" which is incorporated in the Sanctuary of St. Joseph's Church in Trenton, MI.

As the former director of art at L'Anse Creuse High School North, Tony left his teaching job to pursue his love of art and good craftsmanship. His strong interest in building and construction led him to launch the Black Forest Building Company in 1982, which has since grown into a highly successful company specializing in uniquely designed decks, gazebos, gardens, and buildings. As a deeply devoted Christian, Tony then brought his unique talents and style to the field of liturgical art. Recognized nationally for his prayerful approach and artistic sincerity, today Tony's liturgical art is in 50-100 churches in 10 States across the Nation.

Additionally, Tony's innovative style and artistic philosophy will bring him to the next White House conference on the "Healing Arts" in Washington, DC. His philosophy on art and its healing power has also led him to begin pioneering work with hospital traumatic units, cancer treatment centers, and psychiatric units.

Tony Bellomo's commitment to art and faith has truly been the driving force in his success. He is a distinguished artist and leader in his community. It gives me great pleasure to honor Tony, and I urge my colleagues to join me in saluting him on this milestone occasion.

MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES
ON H.R. 2646, FARM SECURITY
ACT OF 2001

SPEECH OF

HON. CHRISTOPHER SHAYS

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 18, 2002

Mr. SHAYS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of this motion.

This Congress has consistently, and in a bipartisan manner, supported easing our failed trade embargo on Cuba. A few years ago, we had a breakthrough and enacted legislation that allows the export of food, medicine, and humanitarian aid to the island nation. Unfortunately, that landmark legislation placed restrictions on these sales, the most onerous of which was the prohibition on U.S. financing.

For the life of me I've never understood why we are allowing United States farmers access to the Cuban market, but prohibiting our banks from financing these sales. This type of inconsistency doesn't just harm our financial institutions, it ultimately harms the very farmers we are trying to help.

The continued restrictions are also hurting the Cuban people. I don't think endangering the health and nutrition of the Cuban people is a proper response to our political disagreements with Fidel Castro. United States policy must focus on promoting a peaceful transition to democracy in Cuba. As Castro grows older, it is more important than ever for the United States to open the Cuban embargo to some trade and make efforts to develop a meaningful relationship with the people of Cuba.

Mr. Speaker, changing United States policy toward Cuba is long overdue. Unfortunately, the current restrictions on trade show there is still a cold war mentality, when it comes to our Nation's Cuba policy. Yet, I find it difficult to understand how a small island nation of 11 million people—without the Soviet Union and Warsaw Pact to protect it—could threaten the world's last remaining superpower.

I urge my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to support this motion which will clear away legal restrictions on the sale of food and medicine to Cuba. Besides benefiting the people of Cuba, passage of this motion will benefit United States trade interests, strengthen our economy, and create jobs.

RECOGNIZING MARY ANNE
CASADEI

HON. SHERWOOD L. BOEHLERT

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2002

Mr. BOEHLERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mary Anne Casadei, President of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of New York Inc. for her outstanding efforts in assisting veterans and children. Ms. Casadei's dedicated service and leadership has helped enhance the quality of life for many veterans and children in the Rome, New York area. I applaud Ms. Casadei's achievements and those of the American Legion Auxiliary.

I am inserting into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, an article that outlines Ms. Casadei's accomplishments for the review of my colleagues.

ARTICLE BY THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY,
DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK, INC.

Mary Anne Casadei is a resident of Rome, New York. She is currently serving as President of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of New York.

As a member of the largest women's patriotic organization in the world, assisting veterans is a top priority. She volunteers at the Rome Veterans Administration Clinic and Memorial Hospital. Mary Anne is the founder and Coordinator of the Griffiss Independent Veterans Effort Program (G.I.V.E. Program), which supports the Griffiss VA Clinic with donations and supplies.

One of the major programs that the American Legion Auxiliary deals in, involves Children and Youth. Not only has President Casadei been the recipient of State and National Awards for her auxiliary efforts, she has also served as a Youth Director for the Rome Family YMCA. As Youth Director she led programs for youth at risk and for developmentally delayed participants from age 8 to adults. In addition, President Casadei is involved in the Family Nurturing Center of Central New York State as a facilitator of parenting programs. She is also involved at the Court Street Diagnostic and Treatment in the Social Work Development.

As President of this great organization her focus is on Parkinson's Disease. No one knows the causes of Parkinson's Disease; therefore monies raised will go toward much needed research. The Parkinson's Alliance goal is to find a cure by 2005. Due to the generosity and commitment of the Tugman Family Foundation, all donations received by the American Legion Auxiliary during Mary Anne's year as Department President will be matched dollar-for-dollar. "We have an amazing opportunity to make a difference," said President Casadei. President Casadei's passion for this program can be attributed to the love and support she has for her ailing mother who suffers from Parkinson's disease. Ms. Casadei and her family have seen this disease ravage her mother's body and take away her independence. However, she and her family remain confident that a cure for this dreadful disease will eventually become a reality. The Veteran's Administration has recently allocated funds to six VA facilities to be used directly for Parkinson's research. These allocations are a crucial component in the quest to find a cure for this devastating disease.

President Casadei is also a strong supporter to an amendment to the U.S. Constitution that would ban burning of the American flag. Traveling throughout the 62 counties in New York State, President Casadei has vowed to protect the American Flag from physical desecration. The prominence of the American flag in just hours following the September 11th attacks on America is a matter of visual record that will stand for some time. Americans revere the Flag as a symbol that unites us all across our great nation.

President Casadei's leadership and loyalty is evident not only to the American Legion Auxiliary but throughout her community; to her family and friends; and especially to the veterans that sacrificed their lives while defending our country.

80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK, NJ

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2002

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 80th anniversary of