

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DENISE L. MAJETTE

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 7, 2004

Ms. MAJETTE. Mr. Speaker, on July 6, 2004 I was not able to be here for two rollcall votes.

On rollcall No. 326 regarding H. Con. Res. 326, recognizing the 25th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and recognizing the Marshall Islands as a staunch ally of the United States, committed to principles of democracy and freedom for the Pacific region and throughout the world, I would have voted "yea."

On rollcall No. 327 regarding H. Con. Res. 257, expressing the sense of Congress that the President should posthumously award the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Harry W. Colmery, I would have voted "yea."

TRIBUTE TO SAXTON, PENNSYLVANIA AS IT CELEBRATES ITS 150TH BIRTHDAY

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate Saxton, Pennsylvania as it celebrates its 150th Birthday. As the largest community in the Broad Top Mountain region of South Central Pennsylvania, the town's emphasis on energy production has made it an instrumental factor in securing the scientific success of America.

In the last one hundred and fifty years industrialization has dictated the progression of this land. The vast opportunities for employment in coal mining, iron production, and railroad construction throughout the nineteenth century attracted an eclectic group of workers,

who worked diligently to build the Huntingdon and Broad Top Mountain Railroad and the East Broad Top Mountain Railroad. Proving instrumental in transporting natural resources to keep the communities flourishing, the railroads served the area for one hundred years. Within the last fifty years, Saxton has displayed its versatility, making the transition from the old industries to a community reliant on tourism, logging and manufacturing.

Throughout its history, Saxton has continually been a critical asset to Pennsylvania. It not only contributed to the industrial advances that became vital to the region, but as the home of the Saxton Nuclear Experimental Corp., the town pioneered many experiments from which the people of the United States have profited.

Since its founding, the citizens of Saxton have remained loyal and committed to industry—the very roots upon which this community was founded. The rich history that has been told through the sweat and tears of Saxton's past inhabitants parallels the history of our nation. As you immerse yourselves in this celebration of Saxton's 150th Birthday, you are learning about the people and the events that formed the very foundation of the United States of America.

Happy Birthday Saxton, and best wishes for many more.

CONGRATULATING THE LIONS CLUB OF MAPLE SHADE, NEW JERSEY ON 60 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THEIR COMMUNITY

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 7, 2004

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to rise today in recognition of the Lion's Club of Maple Shade, New Jersey as they celebrate 60 years of service to the township. This coming Sunday, July 10th, will mark the 60th anniversary of this great organization, which has become an important institution of com-

munity service in the local neighborhoods of Southern New Jersey.

The International Association of Lions Clubs is the largest service organization in the world with over 1.4 million members in more than 43,000 clubs covering 182 countries and geographic areas. Lions Clubs are not social clubs, although there are social benefits to membership. Rather, Lions Club members give their time, skills and resources to raise funds for charitable giving both in their communities and internationally.

The first organized meeting of the Maple Shade Lions Club was held in the Congregational Church on April 18, 1944. Arthur N. Cutler acted as temporary Chairman of the meeting and was later elected as the first President of the Maple Shade Lions. Since its inception, the Lion Club of Maple Shade has sponsored three clubs in New Jersey: Moorestown in April 1948, Burlington in February 1949, and Levittown (now Willingboro) in May 1959.

The Maple Shade Lions Club regularly donates money, services and needed items to organizations and projects such as the Decker Liver Transplant Fund, the Guide Dog Foundation, Camp Happiness, Camp Marcella, Recording for the Blind, Association of Blind Athletes, Lions Eye Research Foundation, Delaware Valley Eye Bank, Eye Institute of New Jersey, and the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. In addition, they provide walkers, canes, and wheelchairs, as well as free eye exams and glasses for individuals in need. The Lions also donate funds to the Maple Shade youth sports leagues and the local Boy and Girl Scouts.

The Lions Club of Maple Shade has a simple motto: "We Serve." The individual members of the Lions Club pride themselves on the many contributions that they have made to their community, and the citizens of Maple Shade owe them a sincere debt of gratitude for their efforts. Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me in congratulating the Lions Club of Maple Shade, New Jersey on their 60 years of loyal service, and expressing appreciation for their continued efforts.