

and New Jersey. Sang Su Yi has received numerous awards including from the chairperson of the New York Korean Association, the president of the Long Island Korean Association, a mayor from Guatemala City, a couple of outstanding performance awards from Seoul Korea and a leadership award from Full Gospel New York Church.

Sang Su Yi, his wife and his praise team stand ready to travel beyond the United States to support the missionaries around the world wherever help and encouragement are needed.

Sang Su Yi has been married for 48 years; he and his wife have four children and nine grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that it is incumbent on this body to recognize the accomplishments of Sang Su Yi, as he offers his talents and services for the betterment of our local and global communities.

Mr. Speaker, Sang Su Yi's selfless service has continuously demonstrated a level of altruistic dedication that makes him most worthy of our recognition today.

LTG METZ TO GIVE UP COMMAND OF III CORPS

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2006

Mr. CARTER. Mr. Speaker, in May 2006 LTG Thomas F. Metz relinquished command of the III U.S. Corps in Fort Hood, TX. This successful and decorated general has had an illustrious career and will be missed at Fort Hood.

After his graduation from the United States Military Academy at West Point, he was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the infantry. His career has taken him to locations throughout the world including Germany, Italy, and Iraq, with such varied positions as assistant professor at West Point and Combined Joint Task Force 7 commander in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

He assumed the post at Fort Hood in February 2003. Since then, he deployed the III Corps to Iraq in January 2004 and was commanding the Multi-National Corps—Iraq until May 2006. He will now continue to serve our country at Fort Monroe as U.S. Army Training Doctrine commanding general.

In his career, Lieutenant General Metz has been awarded the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Meritorious Service Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal with two Service Stars, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon with Numeral 3, Expert Infantry Badge, Senior Parachutist Badge, Ranger Tab, and Belgium Brevet "A" Commando.

He and his wife, Pam, have been and remain good friends of mine and my wife, Erika. Pam has been an active part of the community of Fort Hood and the families on base will not soon forget them.

I had the honor to visit Lieutenant General Metz and the Fort Hood soldiers under his command during a recent trip to Iraq. I saw firsthand the powerful leadership he dem-

onstrates and the strong support he enjoys. Lieutenant General Metz is the pride of the United States Army and will be dearly missed at Fort Hood.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2006

Mr. REICHERT. Mr. Speaker, on June 16, 2006, I missed the following rollcall vote: rollcall vote No. 288, Final Passage of H. Res. 861.

Had I been present, I would have voted "yes" to rollcall vote No. 288.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2006

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I would like to offer a personal explanation of the reason I missed roll call Votes Nos. 289–291 on June 19, 2006. These were suspension votes on H.R. 5540, H.R. 5504, and H. Res. 826. Due to plane delays, my travel to Washington, DC was not completed until following the conclusion of votes this evening.

I respectfully request that it be entered into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD that if present, I would have voted rollcall vote No. 289, the "Sergeant Jacob Dan Dones Post Office Designation Act," "yea"; rollcall vote No. 290, the "Larry Winn, Jr. Post Office Building Designation Act," "yea"; and rollcall vote No. 291 Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that a National Youth Sports Week should be established," "yea."

RAISING THE MINIMUM WAGE (REPUBLICANS STALL BILL THAT WOULD BOOST SALARIES)

HON. SHEILA JACKSON-LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2006

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, workers across this country are increasingly being asked to do more with less. As prices rise on housing, health care, energy and education, the millions of Americans who work full time and make minimum wage are slipping farther and farther into poverty.

The minimum wage in this country has not been raised since 1997 and is now at its lowest level in 50 years when adjusted for inflation. Making only \$5.15 an hour, a full-time minimum wage employee will earn only \$10,700 annually. This is far from enough to make ends meet—especially for the 75 percent who are responsible at least half of their family's income. Raising children on a middle-class income is hard enough—imagine trying to do it on one-third of that amount.

Mr. Speaker, Democrats believe that the minimum wage should be a living wage. No American who works full-time, all year, should

live in poverty, unable to support their family. Last week, Democrats were successful in inserting a minimum wage increase into the Labor-H-H-S appropriations bill. But now the Republican leadership is stalling a floor vote. It is time for real action to move hard working Americans out of poverty. Seven million Americans deserve a raise today.

TRIBUTE TO RAYMOND REINICK

HON. BOB BEAUPREZ

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2006

Mr. BEAUPREZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of a remarkable gentleman from my district. Raymond Reinick was born in Kersey, CO in 1924. Growing up on his family's farm, he learned the value of hard work and developed a strong sense of pride in his country.

Raymond answered the call to duty when America entered WWII, joining the Navy and serving in the Pacific Theater aboard the USS *Fond Du Lac* as a Signalman Second Class. Having received the WWII Victory Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal and the Philippine Liberation Medal, Raymond was honorably discharged from the Navy and returned home to work on the family farm.

Not long after Raymond returned from the war, he married Bernadette and began a family. Raymond worked as a stationary engineer for Union Pacific Railroad for almost 40 years, supporting his wife and four children.

Raymond passed away in 2003 and was buried at Fort Logan National Cemetery along side his comrades from the war.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to stand before this body of Congress and recognize Raymond Reinick's loyal service to our grateful Nation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RANDY NEUGEBAUER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2006

Mr. NEUGEBAUER. Mr. Speaker, due to official business, I missed rollcall votes 290 and 291 on Monday, June 19, 2006. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on both votes. Rollcall vote 290 was a vote to pass H.R. 5504, legislation to designate a post office in Mission, Kansas for Larry Winn, Jr. Rollcall vote 291 was a vote to pass H. Res. 826, a resolution expressing support for the creation of a National Youth Sports Week.

THE STUTTERING FOUNDATION

HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2006

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to bring the attention of the House to an article I recently read about Tiger Woods in The Stuttering Foundation's summer newsletter. I stuttered as a child and I think it's important for

kids to know that they can overcome this complex disorder. Tiger Woods is an excellent example of the many people who have led successful productive lives despite struggling with stuttering as a child.

TIGER WINS AT GOLF—AND STUTTERING

Top-ranked golfer Tiger Woods tells CBS's 60 Minutes that it takes hard work and a competitive spirit to overcome childhood stuttering.

"The words got lost, you know, somewhere between the brain and the mouth. And it was very difficult, but I fought through it. I went to a school to try and get over that, and I just would work my tail off," Woods told the news program in April.

"The parallels between speech performance and sports performance are striking," said Jane Fraser, president of the Stuttering Foundation, "and Tiger Woods is the latest example of how the many hours of practice and hard work to win in sports are no different from those long hours spent in therapy for stuttering."

NBA Hall of Famer and sports commentator Bill Walton dealt with stuttering just like he did basketball. "I thought about the fundamentals of the game and how to start with the basics like the ability to mechanically duplicate moves on a basketball court. And then I just applied that to speaking."

Chicago Bulls' legend Bob Love notes that "countless hours of work taught me to manage moments of difficult speech."

In a recent interview, Denver Nuggets' star Kenyon Martin said of his stuttering, "How I got through it was just by working hard at it."

U.S. Open golf champion Ken Venturi adds, "I have had to work through the years to overcome stuttering and to speak more easily and fluently." Venturi compares moving smoothly through speech to moving gracefully through a golf stroke.

"Tiger Woods is the perfect role model for all school-age children who struggle with this complex disorder," said Fraser. The Foundation offers free resources at www.stutteringhelp.org where Tiger joins a long list of celebrities who stutter.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JERRY MORAN

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2006

Mr. MORAN of Kansas. Mr. Speaker, on June 19, 2006, I was unavoidably detained because of travel delays and missed the following rollcall votes:

1. Rollcall vote No. 289: the Sergeant Jacob Dan Dones Post Office Designation Act;
2. Rollcall vote No. 290: the Larry Winn, Jr., Post Office Designation Act; and
3. Rollcall vote No. 291: Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that a National Youth Sports Week should be established.

Had I been present I would have voted "yea" to rollcall vote No. 289, "yea" to rollcall vote No. 290, and "yea" to rollcall vote No. 291.

TRIBUTE TO FRANK AND MARY'S SUB SHOP

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2006

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker after 22 years of service and smiles, Frank and Mary's Sub Shop—a popular eatery in my childhood neighborhood of Wooster Square—has closed its doors. A family owned and operated business opened by my dear friends Frank and Mary Florenzano, Frank and Mary's fast became a local landmark and a must stop for New Haven visitors.

The dream of Frank Florenzano, Frank and Mary's has been located at the end of Wooster Street, New Haven's most predominant Italian-American neighborhood for over two decades. One of Wooster Street's greatest attractions to residents and visitors alike are the numerous Italian-American restaurants that line the street. From Sally's and Pepe's pizza houses, to Libby's Ice Cream and Consiglio's, to Tre Scalini and Frank and Mary's, Wooster Street is home to the very best of Italian cuisine. Open daily from 7 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Frank and Mary's always had a steady stream of customers—many times with lines out the doors and onto the sidewalk. One of its most famous customers was lifestyle icon Martha Stewart whose order of eggplant with grilled onions, peppers, and mushrooms became one of the most popular menu items. Known for its variety of hot and cold subs made fresh daily—especially the steak and cheese, eggplant and grilled veggies, and meatball—Frank and Mary's quickly became a New Haven institution, leaving an indelible mark on our community which will always be remembered by friends and customers.

I am also pleased to have this opportunity to extend a special note of thanks to Mary Florenzano and her family for their many years of special friendship to myself and my family. Frank and Mary's has been one of my mother, Luisa's, favorite lunch spots for many years and, like so many others in this Italian-American neighborhood, she will be sure to reminisce about the great food, conversation, and atmosphere that Frank and Mary's always offered.

Frank and Mary's was more than a great sub shop; it was the dream of Frank Florenzano and represented the very spirit of the American dream. Together, the Florenzanos made that dream a reality. Owned and operated by the Florenzano family since its opening, Mary, her daughter Lori, and niece Nicole have worked hard to keep Frank's dream alive since his passing in 2003. Though this local treasure will be missed, it is with my heart-felt congratulations that I rise today to extend my very best wishes to Mary Florenzano and her family for many more years of health and happiness. I have no doubt that they will enjoy great success no matter what their future endeavors may be.

DECLARING THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL PREVAIL IN THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERROR

SPEECH OF

HON. RUSS CARNAHAN

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 16, 2006

Mr. CARNAHAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pledge my unwavering support of our troops, and of our efforts to fight terrorism around the world.

However, I rise in strong opposition to the Bush administration's handling of the war and reconstruction in Iraq, as well as the Republican controlled Congress's inadequate oversight of the administration's policies.

The International Relations Committee, on which I sit, has held only two hearings this year regarding Iraq—a woefully insufficient number.

The committee and this Congress should be functioning more like the bipartisan Truman Commission did in the 1940s—a pro-troop, pro-taxpayer, pro-American committee that conducted serious and meaningful oversight to ensure that our troops were supported and our tax dollars used wisely.

That commission focused on two things: first, prewar and ongoing day-to-day operations of World War II "with a view toward exposing deficiencies so that corrective action could be applied"; second, it focused on post-war activities, including investigations of excess profits, fraud, mismanagement, and inefficiencies.

It is irresponsible for this Congress to not investigate the President's lack of an exit strategy, and the fraud, waste, and abuse of U.S. tax dollars.

Mr. Speaker, it is not only our constitutional obligation to provide real and meaningful oversight into the Bush administration's policies in Iraq, it is our patriotic duty to question the President's mishandling of this war and reconstruction.

RECOGNITION OF JOE GESSLER AND HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO AMERICA'S NATIONAL DEFENSE

HON. C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2006

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Mr. Speaker, the strength of America is found in the commitment of the service men and women defending our liberties, and the lifelong dedication of American engineers and scientists developing the technologies upon which these brave warriors depend. Today I have the opportunity to recognize Joe Gessler, one of these unsung engineers, who at the age of 82, is finally taking a well deserved retirement as America's oldest active thermal battery engineer.

For over half a century, Joe Gessler has quietly made a profound contribution to our nation's defense through development of the battery technology that has become an essential component in a vast array of modern defense systems. Receiving his bachelors degree in chemistry and math from Loyola College in 1945 and his masters in chemical engineering from Johns Hopkins, Joe immediately