This year marks his 50th year as a volunteer firefighter for the department, and I am honored to offer my sincere thanks and gratitude for his many years of service

Albert Grenier joined the Baltic Fire Department as a volunteer firefighter in 1959 where he put his life on the line regularly to protect his community and the families of Sprague, Connecticut. During his many years as a volunteer firefighter, Grenier also worked for the Connecticut Department of Transportation. As a member of the Baltic Fire Department, Albert embraced several leadership roles recruiting new volunteers, maintaining the department's facilities, and competing on the department's recreational Water Team. Most notably, he was a key player in establishing the Emergency Squad in 1961, which acted as a foundation for the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) teams we see in use today.

While always a public servant, perhaps the most important role Albert has played is that of husband, father and grandfather. For the past 57 years, Albert has been happily married to his wife Rita Fortin, with whom he raised three children. Albert and Rita have been blessed with five grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Madam Speaker, our communities are safe because of dedicated volunteers like Albert Grenier We are grateful for his extraordinary contribution to our region and look forward to his continued efforts in the years to come. I ask my colleagues to join me and the residents of Baltic in recognizing his decades of service.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING KYLIE FLICKINGER FOR WINNING THE GIRLS' DIVISION IV STATE SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP.

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 23, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, Kylie Flickinger showed hard work and dedication to the sport of softball; and

Whereas, Kylie Flickinger was a supportive team player; and

Whereas, Kylie Flickinger always displayed sportsmanship on and off of the field; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that along with her friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate Kylie Flickinger on winning the Girls' Division IV State Softball Championship. We recognize the tremendous hard work and sportsmanship she has demonstrated during the 2008–2009 softball season.

TRIBUTE TO BOB FENNER

HON. JOE BACA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 23, 2009

Mr. BACA. Madam Speaker, I would like to bring to your attention today the many outstanding achievements of Bob Fenner, a businessman, community leader and 2003–04 past President of the Carlsbad Hi-Noon Rotary Club.

Bob has contributed enormously and made a tremendous difference to the Carlsbad Hi-Noon Rotary Club, the citizens of Carlsbad, and the mission of Rotary International.

Mr. Fenner's accomplishments are many and varied. Under his leadership, the Carlsbad Hi-Noon Rotary Club has supported the Worldwide Polio Eradication Program, a program designed to eradicate polio worldwide. Mr. Fenner has also sponsored a Youth Exchange Summer Camp, a program that fosters international understanding along with supporting RYLA, a Rotary Youth Leadership Conference, which helps to instill values and train high school students. Mr. Fenner was also instrumental in further enhancing international relations by directing the efforts of Hi-Noon Rotarians to support Project Mercy.

Mr. Fenner's leadership has also made an extraordinary difference to others in need of a helping hand. With the assistance of Carlsbad Hi-Noon Rotary volunteers, the Christmas Bureau Distribution Program delivered food, clothing, and other gifts to over 3,400 needy individuals.

There are many other contributions that the Carlsbad Hi-Noon Rotary Club has achieved during Mr. Fenner's Rotary service, including sponsoring a Christmas dinner party and gifts for elementary school students in need. He also provided financial support and volunteers to the Boys and Girls Club of Carlsbad while supporting the La Posada Carlsbad Homeless Shelter by contributing food, clothing, blankets and other items to the needy.

Mr. Fenner also serves on the Board of The Hospice of the North Coast, and has hosted six foreign students, contributing to a better understanding of our culture and the cultures of other countries.

Madam Speaker I hope you will join me in recognizing the many fine achievements of Bob Fenner. Without question, his leadership and contributions to Rotary, and his community are worthy of recognition.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING SARAH AMISTADI FOR WINNING THE GIRLS' DIVISION IV STATE SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 23, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, Sarah Amistadi showed hard work and dedication to the sport of softball; and

Whereas, Sarah Amistadi was a supportive team player; and

Whereas, Sarah Amistadi always displayed sportsmanship on and off of the field; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that along with her friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate Sarah Amistadi on winning the Girls' Division IV State Softball Championship. We recognize the tremendous hard work and sportsmanship she has demonstrated during the 2008–2009 softball season.

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, September 24, 2009 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

SEPTEMBER 29

Time to be announced
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Business meeting to consider the nominations of Richard Serino, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, and Daniel I. Werfel, of Virginia, to be Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, Office of Management and Budget.
S–216, Capitol

9:30 a.m.
Environment and Public Works
Children's Health Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine promoting and improving children's health protections.
SD–406

Judiciary
Immigration, Refugees and Border Security Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine comprehensive immigration reform, focusing on faith-based perspectives.
SD–226

10 a.m.
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Contracting Oversight Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine improving transparency and accessibility of federal contracting databases.
SD–342

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
To hold hearings to examine strengthening and streamlining Prudential Bank supervision.
SD–538

10:30 a.m.
Appropriations
Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee
To resume hearings to examine the use, impact, and accomplishments of Federal appropriations provided to improve the education of children in the District of Columbia.
SD–192

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe
To hold hearings to examine the Western Balkans, focusing on policy responses to today's challenges, including current United States and the European Union efforts to maintain stability in the Western Balkans and prepare the countries of the region for European and Euro-Atlantic integration.
SVC–212/210

11 a.m.
Small Business and Entrepreneurship
To hold hearings to examine reform, focusing on health care solutions for America's small businesses.
SD–562

2:30 p.m.
Judiciary
Crime and Drugs Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine body building products and hidden steroids, focusing on enforcement barriers.
SD–226

SEPTEMBER 30

9:30 a.m.
Veterans' Affairs
To hold hearings to examine Veterans Affairs contracts for health services.
SR–418

10 a.m.
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Bartholomew Chilton, of Maryland, Jill Sommers, of Kansas, and Scott D. O'Malia, of Michigan, all to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Edward M. Avalos, of New Mexico, to be Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs, Edward M. Avalos, and Harris D. Sherman, of California, to be Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, both to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, both of the Department of Agriculture, and Kenneth Albert Spearman, of Florida, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration.
SR–328A

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
Business meeting to consider an original bill entitled ''Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009'', and the nominations of Brenda Dann-Messier, of Rhode Island, to be Assistant Secretary for Vocational and Adult Education, and Alexa E. Posny, of Kansas, to be Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, both of the Department of Education, and George H. Cohen, of Virginia, to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, and any pending nominations.
SD–430

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
To hold hearings to examine 8 years after 9/11, focusing on confronting the terrorist threat to the homeland.
SD–342

Judiciary
To hold hearings to examine advancing freedom of information in the New Era of Responsibility.
SD–226

Joint Economic Committee
To hold hearings to examine women and the economy.
210, Cannon Building

11 a.m.
Aging
To hold hearings to examine how successful health systems keep costs low and quality high.
SD–106

2:30 p.m.
Judiciary
Administrative Oversight and the Courts Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine responding to the growing need for Federal judgeships, focusing on the Federal Judgeship Act of 2009.
SD–226

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
Security and International Trade and Finance Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine international cooperation to modernize financial regulation.
SD–538

3 p.m.
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine controlled substance abuse in Medicaid.
SD–342

OCTOBER 1

9:45 a.m.
Energy and Natural Resources
To hold hearings to examine energy and related economic effects of global climate change legislation.
SD–366

2:30 p.m.
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
To hold hearings to examine the nomination of David S. Ferriero, of North Carolina, to be Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration.
SD–342

Energy and Natural Resources
Public Lands and Forests Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine managing Federal forests in response to climate change, including for natural resource adaptation and carbon sequestration.
SD–366

OCTOBER 8

9:30 a.m.
Veterans' Affairs
To hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense and Veterans' Affairs response to certain military exposures.
SD–562

OCTOBER 21

9:30 a.m.
Veterans' Affairs
To hold hearings to examine pending legislation.
SR–418