

IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF
MARGARET L. RAPP

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 16, 2010

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor and remembrance of Margaret L. Rapp, devoted mother, grandmother, aunt, and friend to many. Mrs. Rapp was also a community activist with a lifelong dedication to making our community a better place.

Mrs. Rapp's life was framed by family and community. She was the devoted mother of Kathleen, Renee and Kurt, and the devoted mother-in-law of Jose and Deborah. She was also the adored grandmother of Conor, Erin, Kelly and Eric. She was very close to, and was an active participant in, the lives and special events of her children and grandchildren. They were a great source of strength and mirth for her. Mrs. Rapp was also a lifelong community activist who was involved in several causes and issues that served to improve our entire community.

Mrs. Rapp was known for her ardent opinions, kindness and good sense of humor. She served as a dedicated employee of the city of Parma for more than 20 years and was an unwavering volunteer and leader within the local political scene. She also served as a longtime precinct committeewoman for the Democratic Party and regularly wrote her elected representatives regarding her opinion on many issues that concerned her. Always inquisitive, Mrs. Rapp was an avid reader who was well-informed on issues affecting our community and our country. She was also passionate about genealogy and successfully traced and recorded her Irish, Welsh, German and French ancestry back hundreds of years.

Madam Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honor and memory of Mrs. Margaret L. Rapp, whose energetic spirit, service to others and joy for living reflected throughout her life. I extend my deepest condolences to her children, grandchildren, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, nieces, nephews and many friends. The love she extended to her family, friends and to our community will be remembered and treasured.

CONGRATULATING TAOS PUEBLO,
ITS LEADERS AND ITS PEOPLE,
ON THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF
THE RETURN OF THEIR SACRED
BLUE LAKE LANDS

HON. BEN RAY LUJÁN

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 16, 2010

Mr. LUJÁN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the fortieth anniversary of the return of the sacred Blue Lake lands to the people of Taos Pueblo.

The people of Taos Pueblo have continuously occupied the Blue Lake lands since before Spain established rule over what is now the Southwestern United States. The lake and its surrounding mountains constitute the spiritual and religious center of Pueblo life and culture. After the Spanish conquest, the Pueblo was granted possessory rights over these

lands and those rights were honored by subsequent Mexican and United States governments.

In 1906, with the passage of the Antiquities Act, the U.S. Government unlawfully seized the Blue Lake lands and incorporated it into Carson National Forest. Upon the severance of the Pueblo from its spiritual homelands, the Pueblo's leaders began a 60-year-long struggle to reclaim its native lands. In 1965, the U.S. Indian Claims Commission affirmed that the United States had unjustly taken these lands; however, it was not until 1970 that a bipartisan Congress passed legislation to finally return 48,000 acres of scared tribal lands to the Pueblo.

On signing the legislation, President Nixon declared that "This bill indicates a new direction in Indian affairs in this country in which there will be more of an attitude of cooperation rather than paternalism, one of self-determination rather than termination, one of mutual respect." The Blue Lake lands are sacred to Taos Pueblo, but they are a vital symbol of the sovereignty and self-government for all of Indian Country.

I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the dedication of the leaders of Taos Pueblo as they celebrate the anniversary of the return of their sacred lands. The perseverance of the Pueblo to obtain justice when faced with decades of opposition is an inspiration to us all.

RECOGNIZING NURSE JODY BOCK,
THE RECIPIENT OF THE HEART
FAILURE NURSE MAVEN AWARD

HON. HARRY E. MITCHELL

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 16, 2010

Mr. MITCHELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jody Bock, the recipient of the Heart Failure Nurse Maven Award. Jody Bock is a registered nurse, a heart-failure care coordinator, and the director of professional practice at Banner Heart Hospital.

Heart failure is a leading cause of death in the United States, affecting 8 million Americans and their families. It is only through the efforts, technical expertise, and compassion of nurses like Jody Bock that those who struggle with heart failure can learn to accept and fight this terrible disease. The Healthcare Accreditation Colloquium awards the Heart Failure Nurse Maven Award to recognize these remarkable nurses for their essential roles in the lives of people with heart failure.

Jody Bock began her career in nursing in Illinois, but moved to Arizona soon after receiving her master's degree and becoming a nurse specialist with a focus on heart-failure care. Employed at Banner Heart Hospital for her specialization, Jody Bock was part of a group which contributed to the hospital's certification as an Accredited Heart Failure Institute.

As a recipient of the Heart Failure Nurse Maven Award, nurse Bock has demonstrated her talent and empathy for her patients and their families. The challenging work she does daily helps to improve the lives of those dealing with heart failure. For this, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude.

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing this exceptional nurse, Jody Bock, for her service as a nurse in the community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BART STUPAK

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 16, 2010

Mr. STUPAK. Madam Speaker, on the afternoon of Wednesday, September 15, 2010, I could not be present for votes due to a commitment back in Michigan. Had I been present I would have voted the following.

House rollcall vote 521 on H.R. 2039—Congressional Made in America Promise Act, I would have voted "yes."

House rollcall vote 522 on H.R. 5873—to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 218 North Milwaukee Street in Waterford, Wisconsin, as the "Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office", I would have voted "yes."

House rollcall vote 523 on H. Res. 1522—Expressing support for designation of the last week of September as National Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Week and the last Wednesday of September as National Previvor Day, I would have voted "yes."

House rollcall vote 524 on H.R. 5366—Overseas Contractor Reform Act, I would have voted "yes."

House rollcall vote 525 on H. Res. 1610—Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the terrorist attacks launched against the United States on September 11, 2001, I would have voted "yes."

145TH ANNIVERSARY OF QUEEN
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

HON. ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 16, 2010

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate a storied institution of faith in the Third Congressional District. This year, Queen Street Baptist Church is celebrating its 145th anniversary, and I would like to highlight some moments from the history of the church and its contribution to our community.

The Story of Queen Street Baptist began in 1865 with a group of newly freed slaves. Originally members of First Baptist Church, Williamsburg, these freed men gathered in the Hampton Courthouse and took the name Second Baptist Church. Under the direction of Rev. John Smith, their first pastor, the church met in several locations until eventually erecting a building constructed with "used" boards on a plot of land between Holt and Victoria Avenues, now Settler's Landing Road. The church members saved funds and in 1875 had enough to build a new church at a cost of \$2,800. Upon Rev. Smith's death in 1881, Rev. Ebenezer Byrd assumed the pastorate for a brief period, until Rev. Thomas Shorts was called as third pastor in 1883.

Under Rev. Shorts' leadership, the church grew rapidly. Additional land was needed to build a larger church, and during Rev. Shorts' tenure, the site where the church now stands was purchased. It was also at this point that the church was renamed Queen Street Baptist, taking its new name from its new location. A fire in 1905 destroyed the church building,

but Rev. Shorts encouraged the congregation and led them in the rebuilding effort. Sadly, he died before the completion of the new church building, which still serves as the current sanctuary of Queen Street Baptist.

Fourth pastor Rev. J.A. Brown carried the charge to rebuild that Rev. Shorts began, and the new sanctuary was completed during his tenure (1918–1929). Fifth pastor, Rev. Berryman Johnson, oversaw the purchase of a parsonage on West Queen Street, which is still in use today. Rev. George Russell became pastor in 1935, and gave 31 years of progressive and innovative service to the church before dying in 1966.

Rev. Calvin Jones and Rev. Omie Holiday each served as pastor for four years in the late 1960s and early 1970s. In 1978 Rev. Marcus Pierce was installed as the ninth pastor, and during his 10-year tenure, numerous members of the church were licensed to preach, a testimony to the Reverend's influence.

The current pastor of Queen Street Baptist, Rev. Anderson W. Clary, Jr., was installed in 1991. His priorities of teaching the Bible in a manner understandable to young and old, and teaching Christian doctrine in all aspects of life have been adopted by the Queen Street congregation.

As Queen Street Baptist Church gathers to celebrate this historic milestone, the church can truly remember its past, celebrate its present, and focus on the future. I would like to congratulate Rev. Clary and all of the members of Queen Street Baptist Church on the occasion of their 145th anniversary.

HONORING ALBERT R.
MANISCALCO

HON. GARY G. MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 16, 2010

Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Mr. Albert R. Maniscalco, a longtime Southern California resident and friend to many.

Mr. Maniscalco was born April 11, 1929 in Detroit, Michigan.

He proudly served in the United States Army in the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, from 1946–1949. Following his service, Mr. Maniscalco retired from the drywall and construction industry.

Although he never married he was regarded as a father figure and grandfather to many families whom he loved as his own. His closest friends and relatives would say that he was the kindest man they had ever known.

Mr. Maniscalco was called home to the Lord on August 10, 2010 at the age of 81 in Garden Grove, CA. On September 2nd he was laid to rest at the Riverside National Cemetery with Military Honors.

Madam Speaker, I respectfully ask that this Congress join me in honoring the life of Mr. Albert Maniscalco for his service to our country and community.

SUPPORTING DESIGNATION OF NATIONAL HEREDITARY BREAST AND OVARIAN CANCER WEEK AND NATIONAL PREVIVOR DAY

SPEECH OF

HON. CAROLYN MCCARTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 15, 2010

Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H. Res. 1522, a resolution focusing on the important health issues of breast and ovarian cancer. It is the obligation of this Congress to do everything that we can to support the individuals with these cancers and to lead the fight to find a cure. The lives of too many Americans are destroyed by these cancers—not only the individuals suffering from these diseases, but the family members and caregivers as well. I have been working to raise awareness of inflammatory breast cancer, a area and particularly deadly form of breast cancer. Many people may not be aware that there are different types of breast cancer. Even many physicians are unfamiliar with inflammatory breast cancer. That is why continuing to educate ourselves about these cancers and continuing to raise awareness is so critically important. This resolution will continue to raise awareness of breast and ovarian cancer and encourage continuing education. I want to thank Representative WASSERMAN SCHULTZ for her work on this resolution and for being a leader on these issues and women's health in this Congress.

TRIBUTE TO JOSEPH CALDERON

HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 16, 2010

Mr. LATHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Joseph Calderon, a Navy and Army veteran from Boone County, Iowa, and to express my appreciation for his dedication and commitment to his country.

The Boone News Republican is currently running a series of articles that honors one Boone County veteran every Tuesday from Memorial Day to Veterans Day. Joseph Calderon was recognized on Tuesday, August 17. Below is the article in its entirety:

BOONE COUNTY VETERANS: JOSEPH CALDERON
(By Alexander Hutchins)

Joseph Calderon, 75, was drafted into the Army in 1959. It was a requirement for his naturalized citizenship, and he feels proud of both his native and adoptive countries to this day.

Calderon grew up in a poor, but educated, family in La Paz, Bolivia, the highest national capital in the western hemisphere. His father always stressed the value of education, and a lifetime of hard work helped Calderon earn entry into a La Paz university to study medicine. At the time of his studies, political instability gripped the nation. The government frequently shut down the university where Calderon studied, as the school was the source of much of the insurrection against those in power. Frequent interruptions to instruction influenced many medical students at the university to leave.

"Most of my classmates decided to go to other parts of the world," Calderon said.

"Some of them went to Argentina, many went to Brazil, a lot of them went to Europe, to Spain. And I, since I was so interested in and reading so much about the U.S., decided to come to the U.S. My father thought that it was a crazy idea, because he asked me "who do you know up there?"

Being 22 and adventurous was his impetus. "Ever since I was a child, for as long as I remember, I always wanted to be a doctor just to help people," Calderon said. "There was nothing else that interested me more than to wear my white coat some day and taking care of patients."

He applied to immigrate to the U.S. and moved to Nebraska. Calderon was drafted into the Army in 1959 after working in a mental institution in Hastings, Nebraska. While in the Army, Calderon worked in a hospital as a medic and was stationed in bases around the nation.

"The irony of my life is that, even though I had no idea that I was going to be drafted into the Army, the moment I put on that uniform I felt so proud because I used to see in movies in my hometown John Wayne and other actors wearing their uniform, and I'd dream that I'd get to wear a uniform some day in my life," Calderon said.

Having recently immigrated, his English was very limited. Calderon said he followed the example of the men around him at first, and with attention and practice he became much more proficient in English. He met a good friend, Jerry Butler, in 1959. The men struck up a friendship, and Butler mentioned he was from Eldora, Iowa, before the men were deployed. Butler went to Korea and Calderon went to Fort Gordon in Augusta, Ga. They would be separated for some time, though not indefinitely.

After serving as a medic in Ft. Gordon, Calderon was discharged from the Army and worked to complete the medical studies he had begun in Bolivia. He returned to Omaha after being discharged and worked as an orderly and then a surgical technician. Due to financial issues and age limits, Calderon was not able to attend medical school in the U.S. He applied to a medical school in Mexico, was accepted and applied for his license to practice medicine upon graduating five years later. Calderon completed post-graduate training in Canada and returned thereafter to work in Saint Joseph's hospital in Omaha. In 1979, 20 years after first joining the Army, Calderon enlisted in the Navy.

"That was very, very, very rewarding," Calderon said of his 20 years in the Navy.

He had seen a billboard advertising the Navy as an adventure in Omaha, and after researching the service, Calderon decided the Navy fit his life goals. The recruiter was impressed with Calderon and appreciated his medical training, thus Calderon was soon shipped to the Naval hospital in Camp Pendleton. He served several tours at Pendleton, staying with the Marines each time thanks to the requests of the Marines themselves.

"I worked with the Marines for 15 years," Calderon said.

Eventually Calderon would be reassigned, and he traveled the world for a time, as well as directing a number of Navy clinics.

"I also had the privilege to participate in Desert Storm when Iraq invaded Kuwait. So I was the main medical planner for one of the large units on the east coast in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, which was a Marine Corps base," Calderon said.

He also provided humanitarian aid in Central America and received mandatory retirement from the Navy in 1999 at the rank of Captain.

"In essence, I had a wonderful time with the Navy. I enjoyed every day of my life working in the Navy," Calderon said. "I didn't want to retire because I was still active, healthy and very well liked."