

Juan. In the town of Santa Maria, Deuel heard a jazz band marching down the road playing an upbeat song—"Roll Out the Barrel"—that he had heard from Camp Roberts. As the band came within sight, Deuel saw it was a funeral procession—escorting the caskets of a mother and child. Shocked, Deuel asked Milo why they didn't play something more mournful.

"He said, 'Milo, think about it. Do you think that when you die you go to a better place?' I said, 'I certainly hope so.' He says, 'That's what we do. We're happy that they're gone out of this d* * * mess that we're in. They're gone to a better place.'"

Deuel saw promotions quickly in Luzon, going from a buck private to a staff sergeant in four weeks. He was next sent to Japan for six weeks as part of occupation troops after the war had ended, where he had a chance to see "how effective our bombers had been. There were miles and miles of nothing." After those six weeks, he received the news. "Milo Deuel, pack your duffle, get on the next ship. You're headed for home," he recalled.

He traveled back home highly decorated. All in all, he received several awards, including a sharpshooter's badge, a combat infantry badge, the Bronze Star and a presidential citation medal. Upon arriving home, the biggest shock was the guy waiting to greet him.

"My greatest surprise coming home, I didn't have a little brother anymore," he said. "That sucker had grown up after four or five years since I had been home. He was as tall as I was."

Deuel remained in contact with many of the men he'd served with. He'd seen strong friendships throughout his service, and a wide variety of places, as he'd documented in his little book, which returned home with him. In it, he had filled two of the small pages in the back of the book—each recounting memories of places he had been and things he had seen.

A good friend from the service he'd lost contact with entered his mind recently, prompting Deuel to look him up and write a letter to the mayor of the man's town—Maiden, North Carolina—to inquire about him. The mayor responded to let Deuel know the man had passed away, but a letter soon followed . . . from the man's daughter.

"She said, 'Daddy would never tell me a thing about WWII. Tell me what he did,'" Deuel recalled.

So Deuel grabbed the book—the one that had stuck with him all through his service—and flipped it open to the last two pages. Looking through the dates, the memories came flooding back, and he began writing. It might be difficult for him to talk about his service, but he wanted to share with the girl what her father had gone through.

"There were good days and bad days," Deuel said. "So I copied a lot of this stuff. Each date gave me a remembrance of something that happened to us. So the poor thing knows what her daddy did."

I commend Milo Deuel for his many years of loyalty and service to our great nation. It is an immense honor to represent him in the United States Congress, and I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

HONORING TURKEY'S REPUBLIC DAY

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 2010

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, I come to the floor today to honor

our friend and ally Turkey. On October 29, 1923, the Turkish constitution was amended and Turkey officially became a Republic.

During the Presidency of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk, the nation embarked upon a program of political, economic, and cultural reforms. The nation of Turkey now stands as a modern, secular nation-state which has been a long time friend to the United States.

Turkey's economy has grown at a record pace and literacy and education rates continue to climb. Turkey stands as an inspiration to reformers in the greater Middle East and throughout the world.

Over the past 87 years, Turkey's relationship with the United States has grown. Turkey has been a partner to the United States in NATO, the United Nations, as well as on the War on Terror. Beginning in the bloody Korean War of 1950, Turkish and American troops have fought side by side for victory over communism in The Cold War. Moreover, Turkey's work on human rights and energy security for Europe should be commended. Turkey has provided critical humanitarian and medical assistance in Afghanistan and in Iraq.

We should congratulate the people and the Government of Turkey for their efforts over the past 87 years and we look forward to building on the current relationship in the future.

HONORING ROBERT COHEN

HON. JARED POLIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 2010

Mr. POLIS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of a celebrated filmmaker and proud resident of my district, Robert Cohen. I've known Robert for many years and have always been impressed by his work as an artist and public servant, and it is an honor to commemorate him today.

Robert was born in Philadelphia in 1930 and moved to Los Angeles at the age of 9. After graduating from UCLA in 1952, Bob began his professional film career as a writer in the U.S. Army Signal Corps and a cameraman for NATO. In early 1956, Bob was honorably discharged from the Army and was able to devote his full energy to a film career that was already taking off.

In the 50-plus years since Bob released his first works, including "Mister Wister the Time Twister" and "The Color of Man," Bob has filmed, edited, written, produced or contributed to over 20 films, documentaries and television productions. His work spans the political to the historical, the local to the international, and he has been celebrated around the world as a filmmaker, artist and visionary.

It is an honor both to serve as Bob's representative in Congress and to call him my friend and colleague. I wish him many more accomplishments and know that he will achieve continued success behind the camera, in front of the classroom and in the many exciting endeavors that await him as he inspires a new generation to political activism and public service. Thank you, Bob, for your friendship and leadership, and best wishes.

HONORING TARPON SPRINGS FUNDAMENTAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 2010

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Tarpon Springs Fundamental Elementary on its 30th Anniversary. While Pinellas County is home to many excellent schools, Tarpon Springs Fundamental brings a special quality of a back-to-basics focus to its students.

The school's focus emphasizes student responsibility, structure, and academic success. This focus extends to parents as well with mandatory parental involvement in parent-teacher conferences and meetings. However, their involvement stems much further than what is required. Many parents can also be seen volunteering throughout the campus tutoring, mentoring, helping with daily classroom activities, or enjoying lunch with their child.

Tarpon Springs Fundamental is one of the smallest schools in Pinellas County, so in conjunction with its highly structured curriculum model, it fosters a familiar, tight-knit atmosphere. The staff and families are able to know one another on a personal basis, providing the foundation for educators and parents to work as a team to promote strong academic skills and values.

It is truly my honor to recognize Tarpon Springs Fundamental Elementary School as they celebrate their 30th anniversary. I look forward to watching the school continue to develop generation after generation of young minds with the core principals it has thrived on for so long.

HONORING PAUL KELLEY

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 2010

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today with my colleague Congresswoman LYNN WOOLSEY to recognize Paul Kelley who is retiring after 16 years as a member of the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors. Congresswoman WOOLSEY and I have the distinct privilege of representing Sonoma County and both of our tenures in the House have coincided with Mr. Kelley's tenure on the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Kelley represents the northern most supervisorial district in Sonoma County, which is home to one of the finest wine grape-growing and wine-producing regions in the world. His support of agriculture and agriculture-related industries is deep seated. He grew up on a small farm outside of Santa Rosa and spent his summers as a youth working on neighboring ranches and farms in the area. As a supervisor, his work included helping to bridge the gap between the water needs of farmers and fisheries, in supporting measures that guaranteed that 22,000 acres in his district would be protected under the county's Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District acquisitions and encouraging businesses and farmers to embrace green technology.

Supervisor Kelley also helped create new parks and recreational facilities throughout his district, including the Boys & Girls Club in Windsor, and renovate existing youth facilities in Cloverdale, Healdsburg and Larkfield-Wikiup.

He was the key proponent of returning commercial air service to the Charles M. Schulz/Sonoma County Airport. The regional airport now has daily flights to four western cities.

Supervisor Kelley's special assignments on the board included membership on the Sonoma County Transportation Authority, the North Coast Rail Authority, the Water Agency Committee, the Local Agency Formation Commission (Chair), the Eel Russian River Commission (Chair), the Redwood Empire Association, the North Coast Air Pollution Control District, the North Coastal Counties Supervisors Association, the Public Policy Facilitating Committee, the Sonoma County Advertising Program, the Sonoma County Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Program and the Association of California Water Agencies (President).

Madam Speaker, after 16 years of public service to the people of Sonoma, Paul Kelley deserves to enjoy the riches of this new phase of his life as a water and transportation consultant. We wish him well.

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM FERRY

HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 2010

Mr. LATHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize William Ferry, a World War II Army veteran from Boone, 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. William Ferry was recognized on Tuesday, October 5. Below is the article in its entirety:

BOONE COUNTY VETERANS: WILLIAM FERRY

(By Greg Eckstrom)

William Ferry joined the Army, along with his cousin, for pretty much the usual reasons.

"My cousin and I, we were going to be big shots," Ferry said with a laugh.

In many ways, Ferry was.

Originally from Pilot Mound, and returning to Boone after World War II, where he lived at the same address his whole life, Ferry entered his military career by volunteering rather than being drafted.

"My cousin and I decided to join the Army and see the world, so we went down and joined the Army," he said. "Well, that's the last I'd seen of him for three years."

Ferry, although speaking in a serious voice, seemed to put a lighter spin on his military experience than some. In recalling his basic training at Spokane, Wash., Ferry remembers learning how to type.

"They asked if I could type," he said. "And they gave me a book and said, 'Here, you've got a week to learn.' They give me a book and let me go."

The definition of self-taught. Ferry breezed through the book and learned to use a typewriter, admittedly saying that fortunately he didn't have to learn how to type extremely quickly.

While going through basic training in Washington, Ferry met the woman he would later marry . . . a marriage that happened prior to Ferry heading overseas for service. The position that Ferry was assigned to, however, didn't lend itself to easing the worries of his new bride's parents on their daughter's husband.

"They put me in a cryptographic section, which is decoding and encoding secret messages," he said. "The FBI checked out my family, her family and everybody she knew and everybody they knew. Her folks got to wondering what was going on."

The background check passed, however, and Ferry was sent overseas.

"They got us on a boat, and they made MPs out of us," he said. "We had to be an MP . . . had to work four hours on and four hours off for seven days a week for 31 days. And we ended up in India."

The boat pulled into a harbor with a large sign supported on two columns, reading "Gateway to India." They had landed in Bombay.

Ferry was put onto a train and traveled for a week until he arrived at his post—a building that, putting it lightly, was a rather safe place to be stationed.

"We went to a building that was inside of a compound that had about a 10 foot wall around us," he said. "We worked behind locked doors and we had to decode and encode incoming messages and outgoing messages to the headquarters."

The work was interesting, however the climate was hot. Ferry said it took him six months just to get used to the heat. Then came the monsoons.

"They blew the roof off of our barracks one night, which was made out of grass," he said. "I never heard it rain so hard than down there when that monsoon hit. It really rained."

Ferry recalls one night that he was working alone at the compound, decoding a message that had come in while a general paced back and forth behind him. Ferry wasn't sure what he was there for, but he decoded the message, and watched the general grab it and take off. He found out the next day that the message he had decoded was the one giving the orders to bomb Hiroshima.

Heading back to the United States following his time overseas, Ferry recalls arriving in Miami and the feeling of relief to be back in his country.

"I got back to Miami, got down and kissed the ground," he said.

Returning, arguably as a big shot, Ferry fondly recalls his time in the service, noting his favorite part as being the opportunity to travel.

"Just seeing the world," he said.

I commend William Ferry for his many years of loyalty and service to our great nation. It is an immense honor to represent him in the United States Congress, and I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

HONORING AMERICAN PHILHARMONIC-SONOMA COUNTY

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 2010

Ms. WOOLSEY. Madam Speaker, I rise with pleasure today to celebrate the American Philharmonic-Sonoma County which has been honored with an invitation from the government of China and the Dalian Yuan Concert Production Company to tour northern China over this coming New Year's holiday.

The tour will be sponsored and supported almost entirely by the Chinese government and will include eight concerts in 12 days in Shanghai, Beijing, Yantai, and Qindao.

Known as the "people's orchestra," the American Philharmonic performs free concerts at the Wells Fargo Center in Santa Rosa, California, in keeping with their mission: "To make the beauty of music and the power of community alive and available for everyone."

Founded 12 years ago, the American Philharmonic-Sonoma County has been offering a variety of musical performances as an all-volunteer organization, with both amateur and professional musicians, 60 to 75 in all. According to volunteer cellist Brian Lloyd, "We give our time and talent out of love for the music and belief that the gift of beautiful music is nurturing for the community."

The program on the Chinese tour will celebrate our cultural connections by including American, Chinese, and European music. Music Director Gabriel Sakakeeny will lead the orchestra, and featured soloists will be Sonoma State University piano professor Marilyn Thompson and French violinist Solenn Seguillon.

"This is an incredible opportunity for American Philharmonic," says Maestro Sakakeeny. "It is such an honor to be invited to perform in the Carnegie halls of China, and we are looking forward to sharing our music and representing our country to the Chinese people. It's going to be an amazing tour."

Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor the American Philharmonic-Sonoma County on the eve of a major tour that will share our local treasure with the people of China.

A TRIBUTE TO DR. LESTER CARTER

HON. GWEN MOORE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 18, 2010

Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Dr. Lester Carter, recipient of the James Baker Award from the Milwaukee Community Brainstorming Conference (CBC). The CBC was established to inform the community about a range of facts, issues, and solutions that relate to the well-being of the African American community. The forum offers a venue for interaction between policy makers and the community and an opportunity for the community to express their needs and expectations.

Dr. Carter has been the owner and pharmacist of Carter's Drug Store for over 43 years and is located in the heart of the inner city of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He provides a holistic approach to his services, distributing a combination of standard pharmaceuticals and natural remedies to his clients. Dr. Carter is an expert on herbology and pharmacognosy which is the study of medicines derived from natural sources. In fact, he has developed special trademarked ointments, solutions and compounds available only at his pharmacy. Individuals from the entire metro Milwaukee area and throughout the country, from all nationalities swear by and purchase his formularies.

Dr. Carter graduated from Creighton University's School of Pharmacy and Allied Health