

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 90TH
BIRTHDAY OF MARVIN C. HARDY

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I would like to request the House's attention today to pay recognition to a special day in the life of Mr. Marvin C. Hardy of Sylacauga, Alabama.

Mr. Hardy was born on May 2, 1920 in Coosa County. He attended schools in Coosa County and graduated from American High School in Chicago, Illinois. He spent his early years working on the family farm and later worked two years at Alabama Dry Docks in Mobile as a Navy-certified welder before joining the Army in 1943.

Mr. Hardy is an American hero. He served in the 2nd Infantry Division during World War II, landing at Omaha Beach and fighting through the European Theater. He has been awarded the Purple Heart, Bronze Star, Combat Infantry badge, Unit Citation and Good Conduct medal.

After returning home from the war, he began working in construction. Later in his career, he took early retirement to pursue his dreams of owning his own building and construction firm. In his personal life, Mr. Hardy has been married to his wife, Florence, for 64 years. The Hardy's are blessed with two daughters, Susan Wilson and Sherry Starovasnik, and are the proud grandparents of 4 grandsons.

Mr. Hardy is a member of First Baptist Church in Sylacauga and has served in many ministries including Deacon, Building and Grounds committee, Carpenters for Christ, and Brotherhood.

He is an avid deer and turkey hunter as well as a fisherman. In addition to working with wood, he likes to garden and spend time with his family.

I wish Mr. Hardy a very happy 90th birthday.

NATIONAL WOMEN'S HEALTH
WEEK

SPEECH OF

HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 11, 2010

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to applaud the actions of the House of Representatives in recognizing the importance of women's health in our society. I am proud to be an original cosponsor of H. Con. Res. 268, which empowers women to make their health a top priority.

Mother's Day marked the start of National Women's Health Week. This observance is coordinated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office on Women's Health. This resolution encourages women to take small steps to improve their health and reduce their risk for many diseases.

This resolution reaffirms the sense of the House that all women must have access to medical services and receive fair treatment. Many women have faced significant obstacles in caring for themselves and their families.

This is why I voted with a majority of the House to pass health care reform. Health care reform has lowered costs for women, and prohibits insurance companies from overcharging because of gender or denying coverage because of a preexisting condition. Health care reform has improved women's access to medical services by requiring new health care plans to cover preventative care, routine screenings, and regular checkups.

During National Women's Health Week, it is important to encourage our wives, mothers, grandmothers, daughters, sisters, and aunts to make time to improve their health, and prevent disease. When women make their health a priority and take small, manageable steps to improve their health, the results can be significant and our entire nation benefits. The health of women is not just a women's issue, but an American issue that affects all of us.

May 10th was National Women's Checkup Day. I urge all women in my district, who have not done so already, to make an appointment with their health care professional. Also, I encourage the women in Georgia's Fourth District to take advantage of the educational events, workshops, and conferences taking place in Atlanta this week.

I encourage my colleagues to support this resolution which encourages women to take simple steps for a longer, healthier, and happier life.

IN HONOR OF MR. EDWARD
BOWMAN, SR.

HON. CHRISTOPHER S. MURPHY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of the life of a great man and constituent, Mr. Edward Bowman, Sr. Mr. Bowman, of Cheshire, Connecticut, passed away on April 17, 2010 after a vigorous battle with cancer. He is survived by his eight children and twenty-five grandchildren.

If you know Cheshire, Connecticut, traffic jams aren't something we have to worry about every day. But on the day of his burial procession, Ed Bowman caused one heck of a traffic jam that virtually shut down Route 10. That is how beloved the man was to his family, his friends and his community. While not everyone at Mr. Bowman's funeral knew the man well, they certainly knew what he meant to their community and what a great loss his passing represented.

Ed Bowman was simply a giant in town, both in business and in charity. A devout Catholic, he lived his life in the true spirit of the Ignatian value of acting as a "man for others." Mr. Bowman came up from the bottom to eventually purchase and operate a successful business in Cheshire—White Bowman, Inc. While he was a good businessman, he was an even better volunteer and community cheerleader. If you volunteered at a St. Bridget food drive, Ed Bowman was probably packing grocery bags right next to you; if you thought kids in Cheshire needed more opportunities to participate in sports, Ed Bowman was probably chalking the ball field with you; and if you thought that more scholarships were needed to get more kids to college, Ed Bowman was

right there next to you selling raffle tickets and hustling for donations.

And he did it all without asking for anything. One of his friends at the local Rotary remarked that Mr. Bowman wasn't a member of the Rotary because he wanted to attain any leadership position but because he simply believed in the organization and its mission of community service.

Edward Bowman is a rarity among us. His service to his family and community wasn't based on the need for appreciation and acclamation, but instead he served for the most noble of reasons—it was the right thing to do, because he was a man for others.

There is no other way to put it—Ed Bowman WAS Cheshire, and the Bowman family that he built IS Cheshire. In honor of Edward Bowman, Sr. and his lifetime of service to his family and community I ask that all Members of the House of Representatives join me in a moment of silence for one outstanding American.

HONORING MR. TIMOTHY P.
SISSLER

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Mr. SHUSTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Timothy P. Sissler, the President and Chief Executive Officer of Reliance Bank in Altoona. Mr. Sissler deserves recognition for his career and accomplishments, which have truly been an asset to his industry and community.

The story of Mr. Sissler's career is characterized by hard work and business acumen. He began as a management trainee with Mid-State Bank and Trust Company and then rose through its ranks. When he became the Director of Commercial Banking, Mr. Sissler assumed responsibility for a \$750 million portfolio and over 100 officers and employees. He filled this position with such skill that the Central Bank of Hollidaysburg named Mr. Sissler as its President. Once again, Mr. Sissler's abilities proved up to his task, and while he was president, the bank produced double-digit deposit and loan growth. Since 2000, Mr. Sissler has served as president and Chief Executive Officer of Reliance Bank. As impressive as these career achievements are, Mr. Sissler also excels in other areas of the banking industry. He received an A.P. Giannini Public Speaking Award from the American Institute of Banking and coauthored an article for the Journal of Commercial Bank Lending. Furthermore, Mr. Sissler serves on the boards of several organizations, such as Mount Aloysius College and Pennsylvania Free Enterprise, and has been named a Fellow of Leadership, Blair County.

Timothy Sissler reminds us of the benefits hard work, diligence and integrity provide. With these characteristics, he has risen to the top of his field and provides responsible, positive leadership in the banking industry. I commend Mr. Sissler on his honorable achievements, and I look forward to many more.

HONORING U.S. NAVY CAPTAIN
JOHN C. SCORBY, JR.

HON. ANDER CRENSHAW

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Mr. CRENSHAW. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor U.S. Navy Captain John C. Scorby, Jr., the Commanding Officer of Naval Air Station Jacksonville in Florida, one of the nation's largest naval installations. Captain Scorby exemplifies the values of a committed naval officer and, I believe, you will agree when you hear his exceptional performance on a variety of levels.

NAS Jacksonville hosts over 117 tenant commands, 25,000 personnel and their families. As Commanding Officer, it was Captain Scorby's duty to provide oversight and to make sure everything ran like clockwork. For three years, Capt. Scorby was a dedicated leader to this key Navy installation.

A P-3 Orion pilot by trade, Jack Scorby has always seen the big picture. But like the radar on the P-3 Orion, he has the ability to zero in on the details that needed fine tuning and, thus, Jack made a great installation even better.

Captain Scorby set the highest standards for excellence and then led by example to reach and surpass those goals. Using his personality, skill, resourcefulness and the ability to manage and juggle priorities to meet the support needs of the fleet, the war fighter, and the family, Captain Scorby has upheld the highest traditions of the United States Navy. He was the catalyst behind NAS Jacksonville winning a plethora of awards including the Meritorious Unit Commendation, the Secretary of the Navy's and the Chief of Naval Operations' Safety Ashore awards for two consecutive years, and the Commander Navy Region Southeast's 2009 nominee for the Installation Excellence Award.

Under his watch, NAS Jacksonville underwent \$350 million of facility construction and upgrades. Captain Scorby oversaw the management of that endeavor and also was instrumental in the smooth relocation of five P-3 Orion squadrons and their families from Maine to Florida.

Jack Scorby cultivated an Individual Augmentee (IA) Support Program that helped sustain the families of IAs who were deployed and then honored them with a luncheon upon their return. This model program is now being replicated at bases worldwide.

NAS Jacksonville earned the reputation as the Airfield of Choice under Jack's command as personnel worked round the clock in providing services to a variety of operations including Army helicopter deployments, Pine Castle Range use, and the initial stand-up training and outfitting of the Navy Expeditionary Guard Battalion for Guantanamo Bay. Captain Scorby and his team at NAS Jacksonville provided support and facilities to the Federal Emergency Management Agency during the hurricane season as well as during the earthquake that devastated Haiti.

A recognized naval ambassador in the City, Captain Scorby hosted two Air Shows, a Presidential visit, and over 90 other ceremonies and special events. I was pleased to work with him on two veteran ceremonies at which we recognized over 250 grateful Vietnam Vet-

erans. Jack and his sailors made sure all veterans were treated as special guests and honored for their service. He partnered with the Florida Department of Labor to host a Disabled Veteran Outreach Program that provided services to veterans and their families and a Tri-Base Job Fair that brought in 155 employers and over 800 job seekers. Each of these events cemented the relationship between the City of Jacksonville and the United States Navy.

Always a strong supporter of Navy personnel and their families whether on base or deployed across the globe fulfilling missions, Jack Scorby also ensured that our fallen heroes returned with honor and a proper homecoming. No matter the time or the day, when a soldier, sailor, marine or airman returned on his final flight, Captain Scorby had police, firefighters, Patriot Guard and hundreds of civilians and naval personnel line the runway and roads. Families of the fallen were moved and grateful.

And on behalf of the City of Jacksonville and the 4th Congressional District, it is my privilege to recognize the dedication, caring and leadership that makes Captain John C. Scorby, Jr., worthy of receiving the Legion of Merit.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DEAN HELLER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Mr. HELLER. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 256, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

NATHAN HOFF

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Nathan Hoff. Nathan is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Nathan has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Nathan has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Nathan has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Nathan oversaw the construction of a batting cage which will provide a healthy athletic outlet for the residents of Boonville, Missouri.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Nathan for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

RECOGNIZING MARCIA HILSABECK
OF ROUND ROCK HIGH SCHOOL
IN ROUND ROCK, TEXAS

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Mr. CARTER. Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize Mrs. Marcia Hilsabeck upon her retirement from Round Rock High School after 43 years of service.

Marcia served all but the first two years of her career in the English Department and has led the English Department since 1994. Throughout the years of her teaching career, she has been honored as Teacher of the Year and Round Rock Local Legend. When Marcia first began teaching at Round Rock High School in 1967, there were 368 students in grades nine through twelve, today there are ten times that many students. Times have changed since Marcia first began her teaching career, but her dedication and love for education has not. She has been called the ultimate teacher by colleagues and generations of students fondly remember and recognize the impact she made on their lives. Her commitment to education is extraordinary and it is with great pride I honor Marcia's career today as I wish her all the best for her retirement years.

HONORING MR. SAM FREDMAN

HON. NITA M. LOWEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Mrs. LOWEY. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Samuel G. Fredman, this year's recipient of the Rabbi Amiel Wohl Lifetime Achievement Award. This prestigious honor is being respectfully bestowed upon Judge Fredman by the Westchester Jewish Conference for his lifetime of contributions to Westchester County and our great country.

Sam Fredman has led a truly remarkable life. He served in the U.S. Army Air Forces in the South Pacific Theater during and after World War II. After his military service, Sam received his undergraduate degree from Pennsylvania State University and law degree from Columbia University. He is a member of the New York State Bar and admitted to practice in the U.S. District Court for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York. Judge Fredman has served as law firm partner, law school lecturer, and Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York for nearly 14 years. Judge Fredman still practices law today as a private arbitrator and mediator at Wilson Esler Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker and as a judicial hearing officer for New York's Ninth Judicial Circuit. In addition to his professional achievements, Sam remains a devoted family man as the grandfather of four beautiful grandchildren.

Judge Fredman has already been recognized with over 22 awards and honors during his lifetime, including the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers Distinguished Service Award, Pennsylvania State University Distinguished Alumnus Award, and Westchester Holocaust Commission Distinguished Service Award. The long list of Sam's admirers includes the United Jewish Appeal, Westchester