

Community College, WNCC, in Sydney prior to transferring to Creighton University. At WNCC, Jeremy earned a spot on the president's list, the Dean's List, and was an active member of the TRIO Upward Bound Program. His military honors include the Combat Infantryman's Award, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement Award.

Jeremy was the President of his hometown's PTK Alpha Rho Omicron Chapter and served on the Sidney Endowment Association Board where he was an integral part of extending benefits to his fellow veterans. Jeremy also deserves recognition for the scholarship program he implemented for veterans who joined the military after the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001.

Jeremy's dedication to public service is evident as he prepares for a career as a history teacher, where he hopes to translate his ability for helping others to a classroom setting.

Once again, I congratulate Jeremy on his tremendous achievement and I wish him luck in his future endeavors.

HONORING NISEI DIPLOMA PROJECT

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 24, 2010

Mr. RADANOVICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate all of the 2010 Honorary Bachelor of Humane Letters degree recipients through the Nisei Diploma Project. All honorees will be recognized on Thursday, May 20, 2010 at a special awards ceremony to be held at California State University, Fresno.

During World War II, an estimated two hundred and fifty Japanese-American and Japanese immigrant students from California State University, CSU, campuses across the state had their education abruptly interrupted when Executive Order 9066 was executed in 1942. These students were forcefully removed from the west coast and incarcerated for the duration of the war. Once released many of these former students went to work and did not return to school.

On September 23, 2009 the California State University Board of Trustees unanimously voted to award Special Honorary Bachelor of Humane Letters degrees to the CSU students that were affected by the Executive Order, known as the Nisei Diploma Project. Through the passage of this project, CSU strives to heal the wounds of the Japanese-Americans living in California during World War II. By identifying the former students enrolled in the CSU system when the order was initially passed, they will honor the academic intentions of the Japanese-American students enrolled at the time by presenting an honorary degree to the former students or their families and welcoming the former students back to the campus.

California State University, Fresno has determined that there are eighty-seven eligible students through the Nisei Diploma Project. Today, they are honoring all eighty-seven students and presenting a Special Honorary Bachelor of Humane Letters degree to nineteen of those students.

Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend and congratulate the 2010 Honorary Bachelor

of Humane Letters degree recipients through the Nisei Diploma Project. I invite my colleagues to join me in congratulating all of the honorees.

RECOGNIZING BYRON BJORKLUND AND SHORT STOP CUSTOM CATERING OF ST. CLOUD, MINNESOTA AS THE U.S. SBA MINNESOTA SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

HON. MICHELE BACHMANN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 24, 2010

Mrs. BACHMANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the U.S. Small Business Administration Minnesota Business of the Year, Short Stop Custom Catering, owned by Byron Bjorklund of St. Cloud, Minnesota. Bjorklund was inspired by a college class assignment to write a paper on running a business. From that paper, Bjorklund opened Short Stop restaurant in east St. Cloud and three years later, a second location in west St. Cloud.

Bjorklund was only a senior in college when he opened his first business, and a growing business coupled with a growing family had Bjorklund looking for options that would keep him in an industry and business he loved, while also allowing him to enjoy his family life. Opening up Short Stop Custom Catering in 1995 provided him with the freedom and security that so many entrepreneurs and business owners appreciate.

But, Bjorklund's story does not end there. Bjorklund opened his restaurant as a training facility for students with special needs. Bjorklund was particularly touched by one student with Down syndrome who returned to work at the place he loved so much even after graduating high school. Later, Bjorklund and his wife would discover their fifth child had Down syndrome and the circumstances ignited a passion for working with the Down Syndrome Association of Minnesota. Since 1999, Short Stop Custom Catering has catered the annual Buddy Walk while Bjorklund recruited donations to make the event free to the participants; over 5,000 people last year alone.

Today, Short Stop Custom Catering is a staple in the St. Cloud community, serving as an exclusive caterer to many local businesses for events and daily meals. Small businesses are the backbone and lifeblood of our neighborhoods and business owners like Byron Bjorklund remind us all of the difference one individual can make in a community.

Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Byron Bjorklund not just for the innovation and entrepreneurial spirit he displays, but also to ask that this body also recognize his commendable service to the St. Cloud community and the Down Syndrome Association of Minnesota.

HONORING HAROLD MCINTYRE

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 24, 2010

Mr. KILDEE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Harold McIntyre. Mr. McIntyre

passed away on December 4, 2009 and will be honored at the 2010 Valley Area Agency on Aging Senior Power Day for his work with the veterans of Genesee County. Senior Power Day will be held tomorrow at Crossroads Village in my hometown of Flint, Michigan.

Harold McIntyre worked as a Surgical Assistant at Flint General Hospital and in the Public Relations Department of The Flint Journal prior to his retirement. He served on the Westwood Heights District Board of Education and was the past commander of the Leo P. Crow VFW Post. A veteran of the Vietnam War he formed the McFarlan Park Veterans Committee to ensure the names of service personnel killed during their service were added to the monument. He was committed to renovating McFarlan Park as a veterans' memorial. Harold was instrumental in organizing the Downtown Small Business Association's Annual Memorial Day veterans march. In 2009 he planned the first Veterans March for the Valley Area Agency on Aging Senior Power Day. The theme was "A Tribute to World War II Veterans."

Madam Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in honoring the memory to Harold McIntyre. His work on behalf of veterans reminds us of the great debt we owe to those that sacrificed so much so we could have freedom and I commend Valley Area Agency on Aging for keeping his memory and work alive.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ADAM H. PUTNAM

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 24, 2010

Mr. PUTNAM. Madam Speaker, on Tuesday, May 18, 2010, and Wednesday, May 19, 2010, I was not present for 11 recorded votes. Had I been present, I would have voted the following way: Roll No. 273—"nay"; roll No. 274—"yea"; roll No. 275—"yea"; roll No. 276—"yea"; roll No. 277—"nay"; roll No. 278—"yea"; roll No. 279—"yea"; roll No. 280—"yea"; roll No. 281—"yea"; roll No. 282—"yea"; roll No. 283—"yea."

HONORING VETERANS HOME OF CALIFORNIA, FRESNO

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 24, 2010

Mr. RADANOVICH. Madam Speaker, my colleague from California, Mr. COSTA, and I rise today to commend and congratulate the Central California Veterans Home Support Foundation upon the groundbreaking ceremony of the Veterans Home of California in Fresno. The ceremony is to be held on Wednesday, May 19, 2010 at the future site of the home and is a true testament of the hard work and dedication of the California Department of Veterans Affairs, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the Central California Veterans Home Support Foundation.

Having a home dedicated to serving the needs of the veterans in the San Joaquin Valley has been a long time goal of the Central

California Veterans Home Foundation, CCVHF. This goal became achievable when the Millennial Healthcare Act of 2000 through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, USDVA, was placed into effect, changing the way projects were evaluated for State Home Grant funding. Under the new rules, new Veterans Homes receiving grant funds would have to be located near veteran population centers; California has been listed by the USDVA as one of two states in "great need" for additional Veterans Homes, and Fresno is a region with a large veteran population and healthcare hub.

In response to the federal recognition, the state legislature and then California Governor Gray Davis, responded by passing the Veterans Home Bond Act of 2000 and Assembly Bill 1077 of 2004. This state legislation made funds available to develop and construct new

Veterans Homes in Lancaster, Ventura, West Los Angeles, Fresno and Redding, and met the matching requirements of the federal funding.

CCVHF was formed and conversations were held with the California Department of Veterans Affairs, as well as local elected officials, to insure the Fresno project would happen. In 2003, funding was cut short due to budget issues within the state. The board members of the foundation took many trips to Sacramento to fight for the funding they were initially promised. After a six-year struggle, the state and federal government signed off on construction of the new Veterans Home in southwest Fresno. The twenty-seven acre site in West Fresno will be the site of a three-hundred bed facility for veterans, offering complete medical and dental care amidst the amenities of a small town atmosphere. CCVHF envisions a home

where residents can participate in on and off campus activities, civic affairs and attend veteran service organization meetings. Residents will also have the option of participating in the Therapeutic Employment Program, visiting the on-site libraries, or attending events such as dances, social gatherings, special programs, arts and crafts, as well as staying active while gardening or swimming. The goal of the facility and CCVHF is to enable residents to achieve their highest quality of life in an atmosphere of dignity and respect.

Madam Speaker, Mr. COSTA and I rise today to commend and congratulate all of the organizations and individuals that have made the groundbreaking of the Veterans Home of California in Fresno possible. I invite my colleagues to join us in wishing the home and future residents great success.

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 Tuesday, May 25, 2010 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

MAY 26

9:30 a.m.

Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Elisabeth Ann Hagen, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Food Safety, and Catherine E. Woteki, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics, both of the Department of Agriculture, and Sara Louise Faivre-Davis, of Texas, Lowell Lee Junkins, of Iowa, and Myles J. Watts, of Montana, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation, Farm Credit Administration.

SR-328A

Armed Services

SeaPower Subcommittee

Closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222

10 a.m.

Judiciary

Constitution Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the legality and efficacy of line-item veto proposals.

SD-226

Finance

To hold hearings to examine certain nominations; to be immediately followed by a business meeting to consider the nomination of Sherry Glied, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

SD-215

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Business meeting to consider S. 2781, to change references in Federal law to mental retardation to references to an intellectual disability, and to change references to a mentally retarded individual to references to an individual with an intellectual disability, and the nominations of David K. Mineta, of California, to be Deputy Director for Demand Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy, and Adam Gamoran, of Wisconsin, Deborah Loewenberg Ball, of Michigan, Margaret R. McLeod, of the District of Columbia, and Bridget Terry Long, of Massachusetts, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences.

SD-430

Indian Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Tracie Stevens, of Washington, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission.

SD-628

Appropriations

Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine firefighting policy with the U.S. Forest Service and the Department of the Interior.

SD-124

Joint Economic Committee

To hold hearings to examine how to minimize the impact of the great recession on young workers.

210, Cannon Building

2 p.m.

Aging

To hold hearings to examine dietary supplements, focusing on what seniors need to know.

SD-562

2:30 p.m.

Foreign Relations

African Affairs Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine assessing challenges and opportunities for peace in Sudan.

SD-419

Armed Services

Closed business meeting to markup the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222

Commerce, Science, and Transportation Communications and Technology Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine innovation and inclusion, focusing on the Americans with Disabilities Act at 20.

SR-253

MAY 27

Time to be announced

Small Business and Entrepreneurship

To resume hearings to examine the impact of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill on small businesses.

SR-428A

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

Closed business meeting to markup the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222

10 a.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine the financial state of the airline industry and the implications of consolidation.

SR-253

Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine an original bill entitled, "Water Resources Development Act of 2010", focusing on legislative issues.

SD-406

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine building a secure future for multiemployer pension plans.

SD-430

Judiciary

Business meeting to consider S. 193, to create and extend certain temporary district court judgeships, H.R. 4506, to authorize the appointment of additional bankruptcy judges, H.R. 1933, to direct the Attorney General to make an annual grant to the A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center to assist law enforcement agencies in the rapid recovery of missing children, H.R. 908, to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program, S. 258, to amend the Controlled Substances Act

to provide enhanced penalties for marketing controlled substances to minors, and the nominations of Robert Neil Chatigny, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, Scott M. Matheson, Jr., of Utah, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit, John A. Gibney, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, John J. McConnell, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Rhode Island, James Kelleher Bredar, and Ellen Lipton Hollander, both to be a United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, Susan Richard Nelson, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota, and Stephanie A. Finley, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Louisiana, Laura E. Duffy, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of California, Scott Jerome Parker, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Darryl Keith McPherson, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Illinois, and Gervin Kazumi Miyamoto, to be United States Marshal for the District of Hawaii, all of the Department of Justice, and Daniel J. Becker, of Utah, James R. Hannah, of Arkansas, Gayle A. Nachtigal, of Oregon, John B. Nalbandian, of Kentucky, Marsha J. Rabiteau, of Connecticut, and Hern n D. Vera, of California, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute.

SD-226

2:15 p.m.

Judiciary

Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the United/Continental Airlines merger, focusing on how consumers will fare.

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

MAY 28

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

Closed business meeting to markup the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

SR-222

JUNE 8

10 a.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Children and Families Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the state of American children.

SD-430

JUNE 10

10 a.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine assessing the effects of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill on states, localities and the private sector.

SD-342

JUNE 16

9:30 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine veterans' claims processing, focusing on if current efforts are working.

SR-418