

Ruby Batts Archie, at the age of 76, passed away. She had been an educator in our community for 37 years. She had been the mayor of Danville from 1998 to 2000, and served on the city council for 16 years. She was just a few days from finally retiring from the council to spend more time with her grandchildren.

She was a tireless educator; she was a fearless leader. She always put the interests of the people in her community ahead, being willing to work with people from all parties, my predecessor, Mr. Goode, myself, people in the city, people in the county. For her, this was a matter of faith; it was a matter of fairness. She will be deeply missed.

We pray for her, for her family, and for all of those who served with her. It was an honor to have a chance to work with her to make Danville and southern Virginia a better place. And we look forward to what Mayor Sherman Saunders has called her everlasting legacy.

CHRISTIANS ARRESTED FOR PASSING OUT BIBLES IN AMERICA

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Madam Speaker, four Christian missionaries were recently arrested for disorderly conduct. What was their behavior that got them arrested? These four Christians were peacefully handing out the Gospel of John outside an Arab cultural festival.

Now, the festival was not a private or even a Muslim event. It was an Arab festival, free and open to the public. A video shows the Christian group, that included a former Muslim, outside, about a block away from that event. They were standing quietly on the corner handing out Bibles, when they were arrested by no less than eight police officers.

Now, under sharia law it is forbidden to preach Christianity to a Muslim. But, Madam Speaker, these discriminatory arrests against Christians did not occur in a Muslim country; they occurred in Dearborn, Michigan.

The First Amendment of our Constitution safeguards freedom of speech and freedom of religious expression even for Christians. Maybe the police in Dearborn, Michigan, haven't read the Constitution. These arrests are shameful, whether the police in Dearborn, Michigan, like it or not.

And that's just the way it is.

SUPPORT FOR WALL STREET REFORM

(Mrs. CAPPS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. CAPPS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in strong support of Wall Street reform. After months of diligent work, the House and Senate will finally vote this week to enact Wall Street reform.

This is a historic achievement. The bill is not perfect, but it's a major step forward. Wall Street's unchecked greed and recklessness nearly destroyed our economy. Wall Street reform will repair our financial system and prevent another collapse.

When the House last voted on this bill, Democrats voted "yes," while Republicans all voted "no." Democrats voted to protect Main Street consumers from deceptive mortgages and predatory credit cards. Republicans voted "no." Democrats voted to shine a bright light of transparency and accountability on the shady dealings of Wall Street, but Republicans voted "no." And Democrats voted to never again use taxpayer dollars to bail out reckless, too-big-to-fail financial firms like AIG. Republicans voted "no."

It's time to show where you stand: with Main Street or with Wall Street.

I urge my Republican colleagues to finally vote "yes." Support Main Street instead of Wall Street.

FOLLOW THE TEXT OF THE CONSTITUTION

(Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California. Madam Speaker, this week the United States Supreme Court actually decided a constitutional question of extreme importance, and it had to deal with the right of individuals to keep and bear arms. The interesting thing was they reached this conclusion by looking at the text of the Constitution, the words of the Second Amendment. What a shame we didn't do that last week when we were dealing with the DISCLOSE Act, where we essentially eviscerated the First Amendment, the First Amendment protection for political speech.

Instead of saying that it exists for all and that we should protect it for all, we decided that some are more equal than others. We auctioned off parts of the First Amendment last week. Let us hope that the Senate will not repeat that mistake, and that we understand that perhaps the best way to understand what the Constitution means is to actually look at its words. Sometimes you can find the rights expressed there far more easily than looking at penumbras and those that emanate from penumbras. At times it makes sense for us to pay attention to what the Founding Fathers actually said.

WALL STREET REFORM

(Mr. LUJÁN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LUJÁN. Madam Speaker, for too long New Mexicans have been put at financial risk by the irresponsible actions of Wall Street. Because of their risky gambles, our country lost 8 mil-

lion jobs and \$17 trillion in retirement savings and net worth. That's why I voted against the Wall Street bailout in 2009, and why Wall Street reform is needed.

We need to protect consumers and hold Wall Street accountable, and the current Wall Street reform package is an important step in that direction. It will rein in banks with their big bonuses, help put an end to bailouts, help put an end to too-big-to-fail, and introduce more transparency into the financial system.

We must keep working so that Wall Street is held accountable and is never again allowed to endanger the financial security of New Mexicans and people all across our great Nation.

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WHERE IS THE BUDGET?

(Mr. BURGESS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, it's tough economic times, and almost every family, every business back in my district knows in tough times you've got to sit down and put pen to paper and figure out a budget so you know where you stand and where you're going. But right now, people find it unbelievable that they're sitting down and going through this tough process but we, in Congress, are not.

Until this year, we've never failed to pass a budget since the Budget Act was put into place in 1974. In fact, it is astonishingly insensitive of the Democratic leadership to not do a budget this Congress.

Earlier this year, President Obama himself said in January, "Like any cash-strapped family, we will work within a budget to invest in what we need and sacrifice what we don't."

So why not do a budget this year? I can't understand it. My folks back home can't either.

Last week, Brian Garlotte of Flower Mound, Texas, posted on my Facebook page, "Where is our budget, Congressman? This is unacceptable." I agree with Brian. It is unacceptable that this year, of all years, Congress will not work on a budget.

SMALL BUSINESS

(Mrs. DAVIS of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. DAVIS of California. Madam Speaker, at roundtables that I hold with small business owners in San Diego, there are some consistent themes. They all say that they need banks to lend and people to spend. A few also pointed out that when their businesses fail or fall behind on their taxes, the IRS is more than willing to work out a payment plan that they can afford but then slaps them with penalties that they can't afford.

The small business lending package we passed earlier this month provides small business penalty relief and \$3.5 billion in tax incentives for innovation and growth, and it gives community banks the lending leverage they need to help small businesses keep their doors open and create jobs.

This legislation is essential for businesses in my district and across our country. I hope our colleagues in the Senate see the importance of its immediate passage.

AMERICA SPEAKING OUT

(Mr. KINGSTON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. KINGSTON. Madam Speaker, I'm here to speak about a program called America Speaking Out. You can put that into Google, "America Speaking Out," and go to YouTube, in which Kevin McCarthy explains it in a little bit more detail.

But the idea behind it is to ask the American people what would they like on their agenda, what do we need to be doing in Washington. Because one of the big complaints I get back home is, you know, You folks are up there and you seem to be in a bubble. You ignore what we want to do; you attach things to bills that don't belong there, and then you force through legislation and it's out of sync with the American people.

So the idea of America Speaking Out is to give the grassroots voters back home a little bit of an opportunity, and more of an opportunity than they get now, to be heard. And you can weigh in on the Web page and say, I want you to work on education as your top priority; I want you to bring the budget in, cut spending, top priority; I want you to finish up in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Whatever it is, we seek the input of the American people so that the Republican Party can work on an agenda.

TRIBUTE TO BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRY C. ADERHOLT

(Mr. ADERHOLT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ADERHOLT. Madam Speaker, I would like to pay tribute today to Brigadier General Harry C. "Heinie" Aderholt, a true America hero and one of the founders of the United States Air Force Special Operations. On May 20 of this year, I and many others across the State and across the Nation were saddened to hear about the passing of General Aderholt.

Heinie, as he was affectionately known by all those who knew him and loved him, began his military service with the United States Army Air Corps in 1942 and retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1976. General Heinie Aderholt will be remembered for his valor, his character, and his strength. It was an

honor to have known him as a relative, friend, and great American patriot, and his leadership will be missed by all who knew him. His influence for good for all Americans will live on.

A memorial service will be held at Hurlburt Air Park at Fort Walton Beach, Florida, on July 2, 2010, at 9 a.m. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Anne; his daughter, Janet; and son, George, and all of their family.

Thank you, Heinie, for all you did for America.

HONORING DAVID TAYLOR MILLER

(Mr. MURPHY of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MURPHY of New York. I rise today with the very sad duty of reporting the tragic passing of U.S. Army Private First Class David Taylor Miller. Miller was killed in action by a suicide bomber who detonated an explosive device at a checkpoint Miller was guarding in Kunar Province of Afghanistan on Monday, June 21, 2010.

Taylor was just 19 years old, having graduated from Saratoga Springs High School in 2009. Despite his young age, his contributions to this world exceeded those of many people many times his age. The loss of so young a life is truly heart wrenching.

This tragic news comes as our community is still reeling from the loss of another young hero just last week.

Whether on the football field or on the battlefield, Taylor was a leader. He showed the strength and bravery that makes this Nation great. My heart goes out to his parents.

This true American hero made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of his Nation, and we owe him our eternal gratitude.

While it is moments like these that bring the true cost of our freedoms to the forefront of the public discussion, it is imperative that each and every one of us never forget what's at stake. We must always remember the hardships, suffering, bravery, and sacrifices for the families of those who serve our Armed Forces.

On behalf of a grateful Nation, our thoughts and prayers are with the entire Miller family during this tough time.

WE NEED TO GET THE DEFICIT UNDER CONTROL

(Mr. BRADY of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BRADY of Texas. Before coming to the floor, I was with two couples from back home. Lisa and Fred Koetting and George and Jeanette Coiner and their grandchildren were up here visiting. Mr. Coiner said his goal in life is to make sure he helps leave a country that is better for his grandchildren than the one that his parents bequeathed to him.

They are, like all of us, so worried about the deep debt this country is amassing each day, \$10 trillion of new debt over the next decade if these spending plans go forward. On top of a failed stimulus bill, on top of the 2,000-page health care bill no one read, this week Congress is going to take up an almost 2,000-page bill that will institutionalize bailout and, I think, harm our economy.

We don't have a budget for the first time in 40 years, and this week they're going to make up budget numbers. We're not going to have a vote on it, not have a debate. We haven't funded our troops in Afghanistan and Iraq. They need money, but it's hung up because people here want to spend it on other things.

We've got to get this deficit under control. We have to do it or we're putting an anchor around our children's necks.

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URGENT ECONOMIC LEGISLATION

(Mr. DEUTCH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. DEUTCH. Madam Speaker, for years, reckless Republican economic policies and lax oversight of the financial industry led to an historic economic collapse for which everyday Americans are still paying the price, but now we are beginning to turn the corner.

Today, we are creating jobs, not losing jobs. The unemployment rate is beginning to fall, and confidence is rising.

Just as we are beginning to grow this economy, Republicans are prepared to stop the recovery in its tracks by blocking desperately needed job creation legislation. If we don't act now, the bedrock of our communities—our teachers and police and firefighters—will be laid off. Yet Republicans have blocked needed emergency aid to State and local governments.

If we don't act now, unemployment assistance will be cut off for so many of our citizens—for the mothers and fathers who only want to find work to support their families. If we don't act now, up to 300,000 teachers will be fired.

Instead of punishing the unemployed teachers and police, Republicans must stop blocking this urgent economic legislation. The time to act is now.

PAKISTAN

(Ms. SPEIER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, late last month, extremist Islamist militants attacked two Ahmadiyya mosques in the central Pakistani city of Lahore—with guns, grenades and suicide bombs—killing 94 people and injuring well over 100. The attackers