

Revolution. His ultimate stand took place in Savannah, Georgia on October 1779, where he led a valiant charge against British artillery. General Pulaski was shot and died a few days later.

This year's celebration will be held on October 8th at the Pulaski Memorial and will feature Mr. Joseph A. Drobot, Jr., the National President of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America (PRCUA). Mr. Drobot has been an active member of PRCUA for more than 50 years and is currently serving as the 27th President of the organization.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honor and remembrance of General Casimir Pulaski, who made the ultimate sacrifice in his fight to secure the ideals of the American Revolution. An American hero, General Pulaski's life and legacy serves as a reminder of the vital contributions and great achievements by Polish immigrants within our Cleveland community, and throughout America.

HONORING JIM DAVIS

HON. JON RUNYAN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 6, 2011

Mr. RUNYAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a true hometown hero and one of the stars of the Bi-Annual Congressional Football Game for Charity, Jim Davis. Jim is currently deployed as a reservist in Iraq where he is the First Sergeant for C Company, 373rd Military Battalion at Camp Liberty, Iraq.

Prior to his deployment, Jim served as a U.S. Capitol Police Officer and K9 Handler. He was also one of the fiercest and most competitive players on the Capitol Police Football Team. Once again, Jim will play for the Capitol Police Team and take on the Members of the 112th Congress. Jim scheduled his leave in order to make this year's game, due to his commitment to the charities the Congressional Football Game supports—The Capitol Police Memorial Fund and Our Military Kids.

Jim was born here in Washington, DC and raised in Northern Virginia. After graduating from Robert E. Lee High School in Springfield, VA, Jim joined the United States Marine Corps. He was on active duty for 4 years in the USMC, and then spent 5 years on active duty in the Army.

Throughout Jim's time in the service, he remained active in athletics, playing football for the Marine All-Star team and running track for the All-Army track team at Ft. Hood prior to Desert Storm. While on active duty in Germany, Jim also played football for the NFL feeder team—Frankfurt Galaxy.

Although we hope to beat the Capitol Police in this year's Congressional Football Game, we do wish Jim all the best in his current pursuit of an MBA at Johns Hopkins University and a position as a Command Sergeant Major.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Jim Davis.

CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN)

HON. ROBERT A. BRADY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 6, 2011

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mister Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 100 year anniversary of the Republic of China (Taiwan) on October 10th, 2011. Despite being a relatively new democracy, Taiwan has established themselves as a beacon of democracy in Asia.

Taiwan's President Ma has been successful in improving the relationship between Taiwan and Mainland China. Since President Ma has taken office, there has been a noticeable decrease in tension among China and Taiwan. Instead of hostility, there has been improved cooperation between the two countries. Direct flights occur daily between the two countries and the demand for Chinese tourists to visit Taiwan has increased exponentially. Also, in the spirit of cooperation, both China and Taiwan are working together to reduce crime along the Taiwan Strait.

Arguably the biggest evidence of their improved relationship, though, is the signing of the historic Economic Cooperation Framework Agreement (ECFA) last year. This agreement allows for China and Taiwan to trade and do business with one another in ways that was not thought to be possible five years ago. It is comforting and encouraging to see two countries pursuing peace and cooperation in this time of worldwide instability and upheaval.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in congratulating Taiwan on their 100th anniversary, and thank President Ma for his continued efforts in practicing peace.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY, LODGE #158 "LOYALTIES"

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 6, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the 100th anniversary of the Slovene National Benefit Society, Lodge #158 Loyalties.

The Slovene National Benefit Society (SNPJ) was founded on April 6, 1904 by 12 Slovenian immigrants with the intent of offering life insurance and sick and disability benefits. Today, with more than 125 lodges nationwide, SNPJ is the largest Slovenian fraternal organization in the United States. In addition to its fraternal benefits, SNPJ also offers its members access to a scholarship program, activities for members of all ages and use of its summer campsite, the SNPJ Recreation Center in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania.

Organized in 1911, Lodge #158 was originally called the Pioneers. In 1954, Lodge #158 merged with Lodge #590 and became the Loyalties. Today, with 1,223 adult members and 328 youth members, Lodge #158 is the largest SNPJ lodge in the State of Ohio and the 3rd largest in the United States. Loyalties

members are active throughout the Greater Cleveland community and can be found volunteering at Cleveland Federation of SNPJ Lodges, SNPJ "Farm," Cleveland Athletic League, Slovenian Society Home "Recher," Slovenian Workmen's Home, and Slovenian Society Home "Holmes," among others.

Lodge #158's centennial celebration will occur on October 8th at their home hall, Slovenian Society Home, and feature a dinner and music by the Don Wójtila Band. Special honors will be paid to members celebrating their 50th, 60th, 70th and 80th year's anniversary of membership.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in recognizing the 100th anniversary of the Loyalties Lodge and those who are celebrating their 50th, 60th, 70th and 80th years of membership with the Slovene National Benefit Society, Loyalties Lodge #158.

TAIWAN'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. CORY GARDNER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 6, 2011

Mr. GARDNER. Mr. Speaker, as a proud member of the Taiwan Caucus, I rise today to honor Taiwan on its 100th National Day which will occur on October 10th.

The relationship between Taiwan and the United States has developed into a friendship and alliance that I know will continue for years to come.

Taiwan is a paradigm of what true democratic values can bring to a nation.

It has a robust record of protecting individual rights, liberty, representative government, capitalism, and many more democratic values that have furthered the nation's prosperity.

Taiwan has developed an economy that successfully does business around the world and their commitment to economic and political freedom is a model for countries across the globe and throughout the region.

I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating Taiwan on its 100 years of principled existence, and on its living example of true democracy against threats that at times might cause others to cower.

TRIBUTE TO CADE SPINELLO

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 6, 2011

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to an incredible young boy, Cade Spinello, from my congressional district who has faced so many challenges in his young life. Cade's story came to me from a family friend of the Spinello's and I am honored to share it here. In 2009, Cade's parents, Michael and Erin, noticed that Cade's eyes were not lining up normally when he tried to focus. The doctor told the Spinello's that little Cade had lazy eye and prescribed a patch over the good eye to strengthen the weak eye. After a year of using the patch, Cade's condition worsened, and after a closer look the doctor realized that Cade's optical nerve was inflamed. After an MRI, the doctor told Cade's

parents the devastating news: Cade had a tumor the size of an egg at the bottom of his brain right behind his right eye. All of this was happening as Erin gave birth to their second child, Lucy.

After the discovery of the tumor, Cade was immediately sent to surgery where surgeons were able to remove 30% of the tumor and provide much relief to Cade. The Spinello's, and all their friends and family, were relieved to hear that the tumor was benign. Unfortunately, as Cade was recovering from surgery, he suffered a stroke that paralyzed the right side of his body and left him without speech.

Over a year has passed since the surgery and the stroke and the only word to describe Cade's recovery is "miracle." This brave young boy has overcome challenges most of us never face in a lifetime. He is walking and talking again. He has participated in a T-ball league. All this while going through a second surgery that saved his right eye and chemotherapy that has significantly reduced the size of his tumor.

The Spinello family has endured through so many hardships yet they face each day with optimism and with their deep faith in God. The community of Ladera Ranch has rallied around them and held fundraisers to help pay the medical bills. Through it all stands Cade Spinello, a testament to love, courage, and perseverance.

Today I ask the U.S. House of Representatives to take a moment and honor this incredible young boy and his family. I ask that all of us keep Cade, and the entire Spinello family, in our prayers as they continue down the path of recovery. I look forward to the day, not so long from now, that I will stand up here and congratulate Cade on his high school graduation and all the accomplishments that he will achieve in his life. For now, I simply stand in awe of a young boy who has conquered more in his young life than most do in an entire lifetime.

IN RECOGNITION OF ELIZA
BRYANT VILLAGE

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 6, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Eliza Bryant Village, a non-profit organization that is dedicated to providing quality services, outreach programs and a dignified, compassionate and secure environment for seniors. On Saturday, November 6, 2011 the Eliza Bryant Auxiliary II will host its 43rd Annual Luncheon, Fashion Show and Mart "Celebrating a Community of Generosity."

In 1858, Eliza Bryant came to Cleveland, Ohio with her mother and brother and they became known for providing African Americans with food, shelter, clothing and guidance. Several decades later, Eliza, concerned by the fact that African Americans were not permitted in nursing homes, began working in the community on behalf of the elderly. Inspired by her dedication, John D. Rockefeller made a financial donation that led to The Cleveland Home of Aged Colored People (The Home).

Since 1896, The Home has gone through several changes. In 1914 a new, 19 bed facility was purchased on Cedar Avenue. In 1960,

The Cleveland Home of Aged Colored People officially changed its name to the Eliza Bryant Home for the Aged. After generous donations by the Dorcas Society and the A.M. McGregor Home, the Eliza Bryant Home moved to a new location on Addison Road and was able to care for 47 people. Just several years later the aged building became inadequate and, in 1985, the Eliza Bryant Home opened in Cleveland's inner city. In 1999, the organization expanded further with the opening of the Inez Myers Senior Outreach Center and Eliza Bryant Manor, a senior housing complex consisting of 60 units. After the opening of these two facilities, the organization was renamed to Eliza Bryant Village (EBV). More recently, EBV acquired the former Madonna Hall Nursing Home, opened the Eliza Bryant Garden Estates and continues to expand its services.

Approximately 100 women are members of EBV's three Auxiliaries, which work to fundraise and support the residents of Eliza Bryant Village. The goal of the 43rd Annual Mart is to obtain funding to enhance EBV's programming, improve transportation and special medical equipment for its residents and provide adult daycare for the elderly in the community.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in recognition of Eliza Bryant Village as it continues its work as being a premier provider of healthcare, programs and services to the Greater Cleveland community.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE
ROSALYNN CARTER INSTITUTE
FOR CAREGIVING

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 6, 2011

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to salute the outstanding humanitarian efforts and health care advocacy initiatives of one of my home-state's most prestigious organizations, the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving (RCI) at Georgia Southwestern State University in Americus, Georgia. It is appropriate and entirely fitting that this premier institute proudly bears the name of one of my most universally beloved constituents and one of America's most dedicated advocates for the underserved—former First Lady of the United States of America, Mrs. Rosalynn Carter.

RCI was established in 1987 and was formed in honor of former First Lady Rosalynn Carter to recognize her long-standing commitments to human development and efforts to push for parity in the delivery of long-term care health services. One of the institute's primary missions is to establish local, state and national networks that collaboratively work to build more effective long-term care systems and provide enhanced support services for the millions of caregivers who selflessly tend to the needs of our nation's dependent loved ones.

Due to emerging changes in our nation's demographics and a rapidly aging baby boomer population, the current services provided by the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving have never been more warranted than right now. As cited by the RCI, over fifty million family caregivers provide the largest proportion of care for dependent elderly individuals

as well as adults and children with disabilities. Approximately six million adults over the age of 65 need daily assistance to live outside a nursing home. This alarming figure will grow to more than twelve million by 2030.

It is also worth noting that U.S. life expectancy has been generally increasing since at least the 1940s. Earlier this year, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention noted that life expectancy in the United States has hit another all-time high, rising above 78 years.

With longer life expectancy, come higher rates of chronic illness, disability and the need for more sustainable long-term care services. The average senior today will spend two or more of their final years disabled enough to need someone to help them with routine activities of daily living because of chronic illness.

To help meet the growing needs of our nation's caregiver communities and their disabled loved ones, RCI helped to develop an innovative, online information exchange medium within the Georgia CARE-NET coalition program that allows agencies and caregivers to obtain information about effective caregiving interventions. The online resource helps family caregivers determine which long-term health programs will best meet the specific needs of those in their care.

RCI is also working in tandem with other organizations to secure full funding to establish a Family Caregiver Education and Training Network. This network will provide access to training in evidence-based strategies for family caregivers.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask that my colleagues join me in applauding the exceptional efforts of former First Lady Rosalynn Carter, the RCI and its partner organizations for all they have done and will continue to do to address the paramount and expanding needs of America's caregivers. Their noble deeds and remarkable achievements have improved the quality of life for many of our nation's disabled seniors and chronically ill citizens. I and many others will remain eternally grateful to them for their many noteworthy endeavors and selfless acts of grace.

CONGRATULATING ROBERT FOY
ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 6, 2011

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to wish my dear friend, Robert Foy, a joyous and wonderful retirement. I have known Bob for most of my life. We grew up in the same neighborhood and went to St Mary's Catholic school together. Like me, he spent time studying in the seminary and found great reward in serving his community.

Public service is something that is deeply ingrained in Bob. His service began as young man when he entered the United States Air Force. After rising to the rank of Colonel, Bob left his successful military career and joined the Flint Mass Transportation Authority in 1975 as comptroller. From there, he rose to assistant general manager and then general manager in 1984. Upon his retirement, Bob will have served an astounding 27 years as the general manager of the Flint MTA.