

dedicated to providing scholarships to high school students in the local community.

Mr. Speaker, Vincent Scriboni's endless commitment to Oaklyn Township and the United States of America should not go unrecognized. I join the township and all of South Jersey in honoring this exceptional man.

**CULLMAN AREA TEENAGE
REPUBLICAN CLUB**

HON. ROBERT B. ADERHOLT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. ADERHOLT. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor the outstanding young men and women of the Cullman Area Teenage Republican Club for being named the Most Outstanding Teenage Republican Club in the Nation for the second year in a row at the National Teenage Republican Leadership Conference. These fine young men and women should be applauded for their dedication and hard work. Together, they spent over 2,300 hours participating in special projects, grassroots outreach, and community activities.

This organization has also had some outstanding leadership. Under the guidance of Republican State Executive Committee member Rebecca Branch, conservative teenagers in Cullman formed the Cullman Area Teenage Republican Club and found an avenue by which they could impact elections at all levels. Rebecca has been a shining example and has provided real leadership to these students over the years.

In addition, Daniel Robinson, a 2012 graduate of Cullman High School, has been recognized as the Most Outstanding Republican in the Nation. Daniel not only worked to increase membership in Cullman, but also helped start new Teen Republican Organizations in Baldwin, Shelby, Madison and Morgan counties. Daniel plans to continue his education at Auburn university this fall and looks forward to having the opportunity to work with Auburn's Young Republicans this fall.

These exceptional young people have worked diligently to recruit Alabama youth, involve them in the political process, and promote the understanding of the conservative philosophy. It is encouraging to see these young students from Alabama's Fourth District do such great things and I applaud them for their accomplishments.

Mr. Speaker, it is a great privilege to honor the members of the Cullman Area Teenage Republican Club for their achievement and unwavering resolution in building this organization for the conservative youth of Alabama. I join their family, friends, and colleagues in congratulating them on receiving this award.

**TRIBUTE TO CAPTAIN JOHN
ALTEE BARGER**

HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Captain John Altee Barger of Pueblo, Colorado. Capt. Barger was a thirty-two

year veteran of the Pueblo Police Department and an avid pilot. Capt. Barger was tragically killed in the line of duty, while conducting a narcotics investigation over the San Isabel Forest.

Born in Goodland, Kansas on April 17, 1948, Captain Barger served as a Patrol Officer in the Pueblo Police Department, and achieved much success there as a Commander in the SWAT team. A detective at heart, Capt. Barger also served in the Investigations Division for eleven years, where his instincts for solving crimes were put to great use.

Additionally, Captain Barger, with the help of his fellow SWAT officers, won the Soldier of Fortune shooting competition in Nevada—an award he cherished. Capt. Barger leaves behind a son and numerous other family and friends, including the officers with whom he served.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Capt. John Altee Barger. I rise today on behalf of the citizens of Colorado's 3rd Congressional District, who are proud to call such a courageous man one of their own.

**IN HONOR OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY
OF DUBLIN BOROUGH**

HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dublin Borough in my home of Bucks County, Pennsylvania as it celebrates its 100th Anniversary this month.

Dublin's history reaches back to before the Revolutionary War and our declaration of independence from Great Britain.

The first Scotch-Irish settlers began settling what is now Upper Bucks County as early as 1681, and in 1832, the people of this community began an eighty-year process of petitioning the state of Pennsylvania to become its own municipality.

In September 1912, the people of Dublin earned their autonomy and have built a community of which they can be proud.

Since the formation of the Borough of Dublin 100 years ago, the population has exploded and a rich diversity of small businesses and families have come to add to its proud history.

While they have faced the same trials and challenges each of our communities have faced over the course of the last century, the people of Dublin have persevered and continue to build a welcoming place to live, work and raise their families.

I commend Dublin Borough for its perseverance and success in these first 100 years, and wish them the best of luck in the years to come.

**IN RECOGNITION OF THE UNITED
WAY OF DENTON COUNTY**

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the United Way of Denton County and

their 61 years of service. The local chapter aims to improve the quality of life in the critical areas of education, income, and health. The organization estimates that more the 33,000 students in the area are at risk of dropping out of school and approximately 15% of the County's adults over the age of 24 did not graduate from high school. Furthermore, the Texas Food Bank estimates that more than 90,000 individuals in Denton County are food insecure, and the Texas Department of State Health Services reports that \$713 million dollars were spent on preventable hospitalizations over a four-year period in the county.

The United Way of Denton County and partner agency volunteers and donors decided they could overcome these discouraging statistics. Volunteers donated 221,000 hours, valuing a \$4.8 million staff cost savings in 2011. Through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program, United Way of Denton County staff and volunteers have generated more than \$1,782,899 in Federal Tax Returns to Denton County residents since 2007. In addition, to improve the area's quality of life, 7,361 donors gave a total of \$1,562,851 to the United Way of Denton County in 2011.

The organization's worthwhile efforts have positively impacted the communities it serves, offering assistance to more than 4,500 Denton County residents through United Way of Denton County and their non-profit partner agencies. With the support of the citizens of Denton County, the United Way will continue to flourish and unite the community through its mission of improving lives by affording individuals and organizations opportunities to give, advocate, and volunteer. It is my pleasure to recognize the United Way of Denton County and their 61 years of service, and I am privileged to represent them in the U.S. House of Representatives.

**CROATIAN SONS LODGE NUMBER
170 OF THE CROATIAN
FRATERNAL UNION HOLDS GOLDEN
MEMBER BANQUET**

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct honor to congratulate the Croatian Sons Lodge Number 170, of the Croatian Fraternal Union, on the festive occasion of its Golden Member banquet on Sunday, September 16, 2012.

This year, the Croatian Fraternal Union will hold its gala at the Croatian Center in Merrillville, Indiana. Traditionally, the celebration entails a formal recognition of the Union's Golden Members, those who have achieved fifty years of membership. This year's honorees who have attained fifty years of membership include: Judith Louise Aubuchon, Joan Clavin, Jacqueline Ann Donohue, Judith Ann Hanson, Virginia Mae Luketich, Carol Ann Magliola, Henryetta Massack, Mary Ann Matolin-Mancilla, Frank V. Morzlock, Kata V. Mrzljak, James Gabriel Popovich, Steve Prahovich, Mary Sajin, Joyce L. Schenher, Paulette Ann Smith, and Phyllis Stefankiewicz.

In addition to paying tribute to its Golden Members, the Lodge will honor George Rubick and Lou Chelich for their dedication to the

Croatian Fraternal Union and for their many years of distinguished service.

This memorable day will begin with a mass at Saint Joseph the Worker Croatian Catholic Church in Gary, Indiana, with the Reverend Father Stephen Loncar officiating. The banquet will begin at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Speaker, I urge you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in commending Lodge President John Miksich and all members of the Croatian Fraternal Union Lodge Number 170 for their loyalty and radiant display of passion for their ethnicity. The Croatian community has played a key role in enriching the quality of life and culture of Northwest Indiana. It is my hope that this year will bring renewed hope and prosperity for all members of the Croatian community and their families.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONCORD, NC LIONS CLUB

HON. LARRY KISSELL

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. KISSELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of the Lions Club of Concord, NC, and the celebration of its 80th Anniversary. The Concord Lions Club is a local service organization dedicated to providing needed and unselfish service to the community, especially to those who are visually and hearing impaired.

Since its inception, the Concord Lions Club has been a staple in the community. The Club is an avid supporter of many key programs in the area, such as the Camp Dogwood program. The Club pays the fee for interested applicants, allowing all to attend this great camp. In addition, the Club collects used eyeglasses, which are refurbished and given to persons in countries around the world who are in need of eyeglasses, but are unable to afford them.

The Concord Lions Club also offers many services, such as free eye and hearing examinations. Residents with vision or hearing disabilities who are financially unable to pay for tests, eyeglasses, or hearing aids are still able to have these vital accessories with the help of the Club and Cabarrus County Social Services. They also place flags throughout Concord to celebrate federal holidays and help raise money for their many worthy projects.

As a former President of the Biscoe Lions Club, I can attest to the phenomenal work that the Concord Lions Club has done, and to their commitment to bettering the community and helping those in need.

Today, I ask all Members of Congress to join me in honoring the Concord Lions Club, as an irreplaceable asset to the people I am proud to represent in North Carolina.

CONGRATULATORY REMARKS FOR OBTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT—ADAM HAWKES

HON. SANDY ADAMS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mrs. ADAMS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate Adam Hawkes for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

For his Eagle Scout project, Adam constructed picnic tables for a local soup kitchen. Throughout the history of the Boy Scouts of America, the rank of Eagle Scout has only been attained through dedication to concepts such as honor, duty, country and charity. By applying these concepts to daily life, Adam has proven his true and complete understanding of their meanings, and thereby deserves this honor.

I offer my congratulations on a job well done and best wishes for the future.

CONGRATULATING THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR NORTHERN VIRGINIA

HON. JAMES P. MORAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate the Community Foundation for Northern Virginia on obtaining their National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations accreditation from the Community Foundations National Standards Board.

The Community Foundations National Standards Board was established as a supporting organization of the Council on Foundations, a nonprofit membership association of grant making foundations and corporations, to administer the National Standards. This board is responsible for upholding the quality, value, and integrity of the National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations, the first and only accreditation program of its kind.

In the United States, community foundations serve tens of thousands of donors, administer more than \$40 billion in charitable funds, and address the core concerns of more than 700 communities and regions. With such a presence—nationally and within local communities—comes responsibility.

Achieving confirmation and reconfirming compliance with National Standards is a rigorous process, guaranteeing that every community foundation that receives the designation has adhered to excellent philanthropic practice. This program requires community foundations to document their policies for governance, donor services, investments, grant making, community leadership, and administration.

The Community Foundation for Northern Virginia has obtained its National Standards accreditation by demonstrating a commitment to operational quality, integrity, accountability, and adherence to the highest standards for grant making.

On behalf of the residents of the 8th Congressional District of Virginia, I congratulate the Community Foundation for Northern Virginia on receiving its National Standards accreditation and commend the foundation's dedication to service to the 8th Congressional District and the communities of Northern Virginia.

IN HONOR OF FORMER MAYOR OF COLUMBUS FRANK MARTIN

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an inspirational and hardworking man and strong community leader, the Honorable Frank K. Martin, Former Mayor of the City of Columbus, Georgia. Sadly, Mr. Martin passed away on August 12, 2012. His passing leaves a tremendous void in the hearts of his family, friends and the Columbus, Georgia community.

On Wednesday, August 15, 2012, a gathering of family members, friends, and colleagues paid their respects to Mr. Martin at a memorial service held at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Columbus.

Former Mayor Martin was born on November 4, 1938 in Columbus, Georgia to the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Callier Martin. Known as "Butch," he played for the Columbus High School Football Team. He earned both an undergraduate degree and a law degree from the University of Georgia and became a successful criminal defense attorney before being elected Mayor in 1990.

As Mayor, Mr. Martin led the passage of a 1 percent sales tax to fund the construction of a new civic center, riverwalk and public safety building. He was Vice Chairman of the Columbus 1996 Olympic Committee from 1993 to 1996 and under his leadership, the City of Columbus was able to win a bid to host the 1996 Olympic softball competition.

Mr. Speaker, one of the things that I will always remember about Frank is his ability to get things done. He sought to make a difference in the community and ultimately elevated the City of Columbus to new heights.

George Washington Carver once said, "How far you go in life depends on your being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving and tolerant of the weak and strong because someday in your life you will have been all of these." Mr. Martin went far in life because he had the courage and insight to help people fight for justice. We are all blessed to have had him touch our lives.

Mr. Speaker, my wife Vivian and I, along with the Columbus, Georgia community, would like to extend our deepest sympathies to Mr. Martin's wife Helen, their children, and other family members during this difficult time. May they be consoled and comforted by their abiding faith and the Holy Spirit in the days, weeks and months ahead.

IN RECOGNITION OF HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 10, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Human Rights Campaign (HRC), America's largest civil rights organization working to achieve lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender equality.

Founded in 1980, the Human Rights Campaign's mission is dedicated to ending discrimination against LGBT citizens and working