

research. This enjoys bipartisan support and I am proud to work with our colleagues to maintain our Nation's commitment to this effort.

**HONORING THE 100TH
ANNIVERSARY OF DEVEREUX**

HON. CHARLES W. DENT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2012

Mr. DENT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the work of Devereux, a nonprofit behavioral health organization based in Pennsylvania, and congratulate the organization on its upcoming 100-year anniversary.

Devereux operates a comprehensive national network of clinical, therapeutic, educational and employment programs and services. Devereux also works on research based prevention initiatives that help to empower children and adolescents. Founded in 1912 Devereux has grown over the last hundred years from helping twelve students to tens of thousands, including students in the 15th District of Pennsylvania in Allentown, PA.

The Allentown School District partnered with Devereux in 2011 to implement the Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies program (PATHS). The program teaches self-control, emotional understanding, self-esteem, relationships, and interpersonal problem solving. PATHS is designed to promote students' social and emotional health which is crucial for academic success. Programs like these can markedly increase academic achievement, address conduct problems, and decrease emotional distress in children. Devereux has provided reports to assist teachers and schools with implementation of the program, collected data, and worked to overcome any challenges the schools face.

Devereux's mission is to change lives and nurture human potential. By continually investing in the community, they have helped to improve outcomes in student's lives and academics. These types of changes can already be seen in Allentown classrooms.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me today in congratulating Devereux on 100 years of service to countless children, adolescents, adults and their families, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and to the Nation.

**A TRIBUTE TO CARMEN
ARELLANO LEE 2012 SPIRIT OF
MATER AWARD RECIPIENT**

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2012

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Carmen Arellano Lee, a 1954 graduate of the Convent of the Sacred Heart, Menlo Park, California. Carmen is being honored on October 20, 2012, with the coveted Spirit of Mater Alumni Award, which recognizes alumni who "radiate Mater's spark of divine spirit and who employ life in a manner representative of the Sacred Heart Schools, Atherton Goals and Criteria. Schools of the Sacred Heart commit themselves to educate to a personal and active faith in God, a deep respect for intellectual

values, a social awareness which impels to action, the building of community as a Christian value, and personal growth in an atmosphere of wise freedom."

Carmen Lee founded the Peninsula Network of Mental Health Clients, an organization composed of clients receiving care provided by public mental health providers and serves as advocates for them. In 1990 Carmen secured funding and began the Stamp Out Stigma (SOS) program to put a human face on mental health patients and issues and dispel the myths and stereotypes surrounding patients and their illnesses. Since 1990 SOS has delivered more than 2,000 public presentations. Carmen is a committee member for the California State Mental Health Planning Council, People in Recovery for the United States Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association and the Federal Government's Task Force on Suicide Prevention.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring this tireless, fearless woman who knows of what she speaks. She has felt the stigma and works to stamp it out. She has experienced the curse of mental illness and works as an advocate for others afflicted by it. If we could clone Carmen Lee, communities across our nation would be better places for those suffering from mental illness.

**RECOGNIZING COOKIE HENREY ON
THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT**

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2012

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Cookie Henrey, a doorkeeper for the Office of the Sergeant at Arms, who retired in August 2012. She worked there since 1987.

Cookie started to work on Capitol Hill during the summer of her 16th birthday, June 21, 1976. She worked as a counter girl in the House restaurant until she graduated from Fairmont Heights High School in June 1978. After graduation, Cookie married her childhood sweetheart, Michael Henrey. That union produced three sons, Michael, Jr. and twin boys Marcus and Marcell. In 1979, Cookie started to work for the Office of the Doorkeeper. She stayed there until 1986, and then moved on to work for the Capitol Police as a security aide.

So we will all miss that infectious smile. And, we will not have the sidebar and off-line chatter that so many of us shared with her. Cookie made a point of knowing every Member by name, kept us safe, and offered good tidings to all of us.

Mr. Speaker, for those of us who knew her, entering the Chambers of Congress will be less bright because we no longer have Cookie's sunny disposition. I am sure that I speak for all when I say, "thank you, Cookie." Your service is deeply appreciated.

A TRIBUTE TO SEAN COLE 2012 SACRED HEART PREPARATORY ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME AWARD RECIPIENT

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2012

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Sean Cole, a 1992 graduate of Sacred Heart Preparatory. The School is proud to offer the Athletic Hall of Fame to honor him for his athletic achievements. The award recognizes contributions of alumni athletes, teams, coaches, and administrators of Sacred Heart Preparatory. Individuals like Sean Cole who are inducted into the Hall of Fame have made significant achievements in his sports of soccer and baseball and exemplified the principles of sportsmanship and Christianity as illustrated in the Goals and Criteria of Sacred Heart Schools.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Sean Cole, an athlete who lives a life which embodies the goals and criteria of Sacred Heart Schools. He lives the five commitments of faith, respect, social awareness, community building and personal growth, and his contributions to his sport have strengthened our community and our country immeasurably.

**VETERANS SUICIDE PREVENTION
MONTH**

HON. DAN BENISHEK

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2012

Mr. BENISHEK. Mr. Speaker, America has a veteran suicide epidemic. Bearing the stresses of wartime demands, today more of our nation's heroes are taking their own lives than are killed overseas. We must do more to be there for our servicemembers when they return home and help them transition to civilian life. I am pleased that the Department of Veterans Affairs has recognized September as Suicide Prevention Month and will undertake an outreach campaign to raise awareness of the VA mental health services available to veterans. This month and beyond the agency will educate communities, health care providers, friends and family members about recognizing suicide risk and the resources available to help our loved ones.

As a former VA doctor in Michigan's Upper Peninsula and a Member of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, I know that the challenges of military life do not end once our servicemembers retire from active duty. Physical and invisible wounds can last a lifetime, and the mental health and well-being of these brave men and women must remain the highest priority for this country. Community organizations, Veteran Service Organizations, family and friends must continue to familiarize themselves with the signs of a veteran in crisis and learn where to turn for support. Congress and the VA must redouble their efforts to ensure there is always someone on the other end of the line to help a veteran or family member in need. Everyone can help fight this epidemic, and be there for those that were there for us.

I encourage my colleagues to redouble their efforts to raise awareness of this very serious epidemic, and thank all those who have served our country for their immeasurable service and sacrifice.

HONORING AND REMEMBERING
THE LIFE OF JAMES E. JACOBS
OF HILLSBOROUGH, NEW JERSEY

HON. LEONARD LANCE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2012

Mr. LANCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and remember the life of James E. Jacobs of Hillsborough, New Jersey. James was a loving husband, father, son, brother, uncle, soldier and friend. Born and raised in Verona, New Jersey, he graduated from Montclair State University and later served in the United States Army. He bravely served his country in Vietnam and was awarded the Bronze Star for his commendable service. Jim was honorably discharged as a Specialist.

Jim lived by the Latin phrase: "amor vincit omnia" or "love conquers all." This could not be truer for Jim and the love of his life, Kathleen Geiger, whom he married in 1990. Throughout their twenty two year marriage, nothing brought Jim more happiness than talking about their two greatest accomplishments, their children, Daniel and Katherine. This family will remember him for his everlasting love, support and encouragement.

Jim was a devout New York Giants fan, an expert solver of crossword puzzles, a self-taught guitarist and an aspiring poet. Among his fellow soldiers, friends and family, he was known for standing up for those less fortunate than he.

I join the Jacobs family and friends in remembering Jim for his public service to our Nation and his service to others.

IN RECOGNITION OF BARRY
BROWN

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2012

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Barry Brown. Barry served as my chief of staff when I was elected into the House of Representatives in 2002 and recently transitioned into his new role with the Alpine Group here in D.C. During the ten years Barry served as chief of staff in my office, I always appreciated his dedication and loyalty to the staff, constituents, and to me.

After receiving his Bachelor of Arts from Texas Tech University, Barry began his career as a legislative assistant for the House Agriculture Committee Chairman, Larry Combest. Barry later became the legislative director to Representative KEVIN BRADY and the chief of staff to Representative KAY GRANGER. While on Capitol Hill, he also served Representative Dick Army and Senator Phil Gramm. Before working for my office, Barry was also the Vice President with the Alpine Group.

As a fifth-generation Texan, Barry participates on the National Board of Directors for

the Red Raider Club and is a third generation member of the Texas State Society. Barry is also the assistant treasurer of the Vestry of St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.

As you can see Barry is very active in the community and has a passion for Texas and for politics. While Barry can boast many legislative and political achievements, I know he will say his greatest success is being a husband and father. Barry is married to Jennifer Brown who is the chief of staff for Representative LAMAR SMITH. Together, they have a son, Leighton, and a daughter, Gipson.

I want to express my appreciation and best wishes to Barry as he furthers his career with the Alpine Group. He will be dearly missed and always warmly welcomed in my office.

A TRIBUTE TO KEN WALSH 2012
ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL HENRY
SCHIMPF AWARD RECIPIENT

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2012

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ken Walsh, a member of the faculty of St. Joseph's School of the Sacred Heart in Atherton, California, who is being honored with the Henry Schimpf Award for his selfless service contributions, commitment and dedication within the St. Joseph's community. Like the man for whom the award is named, Ken Walsh has touched and improved the lives of so many while at St. Joseph's School of the Sacred Heart, and embodies the kind of patient, humble, selfless teaching methods we should all aspire to practice.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Ken Walsh, an educator who lives a life which embodies the goals and criteria of Sacred Heart Schools. He lives the five commitments of faith, respect, social awareness, community building and personal growth, and his contributions to his students have strengthened our community and our country immeasurably.

WORLD ALZHEIMER'S AWARENESS
DAY

HON. PETER J. ROSKAM

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2012

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Speaker, I would like to express my support for the ongoing efforts of this body and the American people to conquer the devastating disease of Alzheimer's. Alzheimer's is one of the top 10 causes of death in America, and the only one without a way to prevent, cure, or even slow its progression. While death rates from diseases such as stroke, heart disease, and breast cancer have fallen since the year 2000, deaths from Alzheimer's have increased by 66 percent.

Alzheimer's disease affects over 5 million Americans who are cared for by more than 15 million caregivers. These caregivers shoulder the heavy burden of caring for their loved ones and forgoing paid positions while watching the disease progress without the possibility of a cure.

I have several constituents who have been impacted by this disease but two stand out for me personally. Cathy and her daughter Grace have been tireless advocates for their cause. Cathy's husband was diagnosed with early onset Alzheimer's and she has seen the effects up close. Each year they have taken time out of their schedules to travel to DC and as well as my district office to update me on her husband's condition and express their hopes that we can get closer to curing this awful disease. Grace has even taken her advocacy to the Roll Call Forum to speak on her mother and father's behalf. This is why I support the National Alzheimer's Plan.

40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
INTERNATIONAL STORYTELLING
CENTER

HON. DAVID P. ROE

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2012

Mr. ROE of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I submit these remarks to recognize the 40th anniversary of the International Storytelling Center in Jonesborough, Tennessee.

On a warm October day in 1973, Jonesborough—a tiny Tennessee town in the heart of the Southern Appalachian Mountains—played host to the first National Storytelling Festival.

A Jonesborough journalism teacher and his neighbors rolled an old farm wagon into Courthouse Square and, around that wagon, told stories. The Festival was modest, but something happened that sunny October day that has forever changed our culture, the tradition of storytelling, and this Tennessee town.

Recognized as the world's first public event devoted exclusively to storytelling, the Festival ignited a renaissance of storytelling that has spread throughout America and the world and transformed Jonesborough into the Storytelling Capital of the World. In 1975, two years after the first Festival, the institution that would one day become the International Storytelling Center was founded—propelling this growing cultural movement for almost 40 years.

During the past four decades, the International Storytelling Center has advanced the power and possibilities of storytelling—in performance, preservation, and professional practice.

Storytelling can't directly feed the hungry, house the homeless, or cure the sick. But within each of us is the capacity to tap into our stories, our narrative assets, to communicate more effectively—to share knowledge, persuade, entertain, advance a cause, teach, lead change, and visualize the future.

Indeed, a well-told story can communicate truth, concept, or idea with immeasurable power. So, based on this belief, ISC is dedicated to connecting the powerful tool of storytelling with the voices of individuals, organizations, and communities across the world to help them achieve their goals.

The vision of the ISC is a better life, a better world, through the power of storytelling. To achieve this worthy vision, the ISC is advocating for the power and possibilities of storytelling and providing people across the world with the knowledge, experiences, and tools to effectively tap into the contemporary applications of this longstanding tradition. The ISC is