

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

inspiring and empowering people across the world to discover, craft, and share their stories to: enliven and enrich performance—as teller and listener; celebrate our personal, community, and cultural heritage through the preservation of our stories and story traditions; and enhance health and wellness, education, and community services through the professional practice of storytelling.

On October 5–7 of 2012, the ISC and the Jonesborough community are celebrating their 40th anniversary of the National Storytelling Festival—the acclaimed event that launched the storytelling renaissance and transformed Jonesborough, the oldest town in Tennessee, into the Storytelling Capital of the World.

**A TRIBUTE TO DENISE SHELDON
2012 SACRED HEART PRE-
PARATORY 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 Denise Sheldon, a 1993 graduate of St. Joseph's School and a 1997 graduate of Sacred Heart Preparatory. The School is proud to offer the Athletic Hall of Fame to honor her for her athletic achievements. The award recognizes contributions of alumni athletes, teams, coaches, and administrators of Sacred Heart Preparatory. Individuals like Denise Sheldon who are inducted into the Hall of Fame have made significant achievements in her sport of volleyball and exemplified the principals 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 Denise Sheldon, an athlete who lives a life which embodies the goals and criteria of Sacred Heart Schools. She lives the five commitments of faith, respect, social awareness, community building and personal growth, and her contributions to her sport have strengthened our community and our country immeasurably.

**RECOGNITION OF MR. ABU NASER
KHALIQUZZAMAN**

HON. YVETTE D. CLARKE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2012

Ms. CLARKE of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions of Abu Naser Khaliquzzaman, President of World Trade Promotion Center, Inc. to the Brooklyn community and to furthering democracy in his native Bangladesh. The contributions of Mr. Khaliquzzaman have included strengthening ties between the U.S. and Bangladesh, improving the quality of Bangladeshi democracy, and improving the Brooklyn community.

World Trade Promotion Center, Inc. is a Brooklyn based producer and distributor of American food and agriculture commodities, which provides employment and prestige to the community. Mr. Khaliquzzaman's sense of community and vital support has greatly benefitted the Brooklyn area.

Mr. Abu Naser Khaliquzzaman, known as Zaman, acts as a community leader in his Brooklyn neighborhood and serves as a Board member for the Dahil Neighborhood Association. Zaman also served as a member of the Board of Directors of the Mid-Atlantic Soybean Association.

Zaman has worked tirelessly to promote democracy in his native Bangladesh for many years, most notably acting as sponsor to a series of non-partisan community programs aimed at strengthening the future of Bangladesh by encouraging women to vote and become more active in politics, and calling attention to the foreign investment potential of Bangladesh. From an early age, Mr. Khaliquzzaman has understood the importance of democratic processes and has spread his understanding to his community following the Independence of Bangladesh from Pakistan.

In response to the tragic events of September 11, 2001, Mr. Khaliquzzaman organized a press conference to condemn the acts of terrorism and convey to the Bangladeshi people how acts of terrorism ruin relations among nations. In the following years, Zaman Khaliquzzaman has worked to create unity among people of all walks of life and has sponsored a series of religious and civic events to these ends.

Abu Naser Khaliquzzaman has also worked to improve relations between the US and Bangladesh by holding a series of events in Dhaka with the objective of finding common ground for peace and condemning international terrorism. Zaman Khaliquzzaman has dedicated efforts to facilitate cooperation and understanding between the United States and the Muslim world.

Today, I rise to honor Mr. Abu Naser Khaliquzzaman for his contributions to the Brooklyn community and the U.S. relationship with the Muslim world. It is my honor to recognize Mr. Abu Naser Khaliquzzaman as a promoter of democracy and community in Brooklyn and abroad.

**ROBERT E. LEE HIGH SCHOOL
INTERACT CLUB**

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2012

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today, I want to recognize the important contributions that the Robert E. Lee High School Interact Club has made to the Baytown, Texas community. For over 50 years, the club has proudly served our community. This is quite an accomplishment in and of itself, but in the last year alone, the club has completed over 900 hours of community service.

Sponsored by the Baytown Rotary, the club's community service projects last year included the annual cancer fundraiser, Relay for Life; campus clean up events; hosting a Red Ribbon Week, and serving meals at the Baytown Thanksgiving community dinner. The club also held a Trick-or-Treat for Hunger event where it collected 1,587 canned goods to donate to our community.

With a motto of "service above self", the club's members are learning many important life lessons: how to be selfless; how to be a

leader; how to be a person of integrity; how to respect others and how to help someone during a difficult time. The members may be young in age—only teenagers—but they are putting these life lessons into action and making important contributions to the Baytown community.

The Baytown community has been enriched by the members of the Robert E. Lee Interact Club and will continue to be as the students put service above self for the next 50 years. And that's just the way it is.

**A TRIBUTE TO NANCY SULLIVAN
STRETCH 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 Nancy Sullivan Stretch, a 1957 graduate of the Convent of the Sacred Heart, Atherton, California. Nancy 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."

Nancy is being honored for spending her life working toward fulfilling the goals and criteria of a Sacred Heart education. She served for eight years as Board President of Creativity Explored, a San Francisco organization devoted to supporting people with developmental disabilities in their quests to become working artists. She serves her parish as a Eucharistic Minister and founded the "Peanut Butter Brigade" which prepares hundreds of brown bag lunches and distributes them to the homeless of San Francisco. Her volunteers include small children, teens, adults and seniors. Nancy also served her community as an Assistant District Attorney for the City and County of San Francisco.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Nancy Sullivan Stretch, a woman who has lived a life which embodies the goals and criteria of Sacred Heart Schools. She lives the five commitments of faith, respect, social awareness, community building and personal growth, and her contributions have strengthened our community and our country immeasurably.

TRIBUTE TO KEN RIVERS

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 21, 2012

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to an individual whose dedication and contributions to the community of Riverside County are exceptional. Southwest Riverside has been fortunate to have dynamic and dedicated community leaders who