

Association pays tribute to prominent, outstanding citizens and organizations for their contributions to the community. In recognition of their efforts, these honorees are awarded the prestigious Crystal Globe Award at this annual banquet.

The Asian American Medical Association has always been a great asset to Northwest Indiana. Its members have selflessly dedicated themselves to providing quality medical services to the residents of Northwest Indiana and have always demonstrated exemplary service through their many cultural, scholastic, and charitable endeavors.

At this year's Annual Gala, the Asian American Medical Association will present the Crystal Globe Award to one of Northwest Indiana's finest citizens, Dr. Ilwoong Chang, M.D. For his outstanding contributions to his community, he is to be commended.

In 1966, Dr. Chang graduated from medical school at Yonsei University in Seoul, South Korea. He then completed his internship at Yonsei University, during which time he participated in medical missions in rural areas of South Korea. Dr. Chang was a Naval Medical Officer from 1967 to 1970, during which time he served in Vietnam. He completed his residency at Wayne State University Hospital in Detroit, Michigan, in 1974, and in 1976, he went on to complete his Gastroenterology fellowship at the University of Illinois in Chicago. Doctor has dedicated much of his life to medical education and currently serves as Clinical Associate Professor in Internal Medicine and Gastroenterology at the Indiana University Northwest Center for Medical Education in Gary, Indiana. Dr. Chang also operates his private practice in Munster, Indiana, specializing in Gastroenterology.

Dr. Chang's remarkable résumé includes many prestigious positions in the field of medicine. He has served as Chairman of Medicine at Community Hospital in Munster and President of Medical Staff, as well as Chairman of Quality Coordination Control at Saint Catherine Hospital in East Chicago. Doctor is also a member of many medical societies, including: the American Medical Association, the American Gastroenterology Association, and the American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy. In addition, he is a delegate of the Indiana State Medical Association, a member of the Insurance Committee of the Indiana State Medical Association, and Chairman of the Board of the Lake County Medical Society of Indiana. For his exceptional dedication to organizations that have a tremendous positive impact within the medical community and to the people of Northwest Indiana, Dr. Chang is worthy of the highest praise.

Dr. Chang's dedication to medicine and the community of Northwest Indiana is exceeded only by his devotion to his wonderful family. He has been married to his loving wife, Young Zin Chang, for 42 years. They have three amazing children: Gene, Elizabeth and David, and six beloved grandchildren.

Doctor is committed to his family, to improving the lives of the patients he serves, and working selflessly to enhance the quality of life of all those who live in Northwest Indiana. It is an honor to call him a friend.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in commending the members of the Asian American Medical Association, as well as this year's Crystal Globe Award recipient, Dr. Ilwoong

Chang, for their outstanding contributions to the medical field, as well as to their communities and beyond. Their unwavering commitment to improving the quality of life for the people of Northwest Indiana and throughout the United States is truly inspirational, and I am proud to serve as their representative in Washington, DC.

TRIBUTE TO COLVIN W. GRANNUM

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 27, 2012

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute and to honor Colvin Grannum, for his commitment to developing his community.

Born and raised in Bedford Stuyvesant, Mr. Grannum graduated from Erasmus Hall High School. He earned an undergraduate degree from the University of Pennsylvania and a law degree from Georgetown University Law Center. He serves as a member of the board of directors of the New York City Workforce Investment Board, Center for New York City Neighborhoods (CNYCN), Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce, Bedford Stuyvesant Early Childhood Development Center, Inc., and Head Start Sponsoring Boards Council.

He has served on advisory boards of JP Morgan Chase, Goldman Sachs New Markets Fund, Fannie Mae, HSBC Bank, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and Pratt Center for Community Development, just to name a few. He also served as a trustee of the Brunswick School, in Greenwich, Connecticut. Mayor Bloomberg appointed Mr. Grannum to serve on the Mayor's Commission for Economic Opportunity, and former Governor Spitzer appointed him to the then Governor-elect's Housing Policy Transition Team.

Mr. Grannum practiced law for over 17 years primarily as a litigation attorney before embarking on his career in community development. He has been employed by the United States Department of Justice, the New York State Attorney General, the NYNEX Corporation, and the New York City Corporation Counsel, respectively, where he held a variety of senior level positions and was responsible for handling and supervising litigation, including trials, appeals, and regulatory proceedings.

Colvin Grannum has served as president of Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation (Restoration) since March 2001. Under Mr. Grannum's leadership, Restoration is experiencing a robust resurgence. Restoration provides services and programs in the areas of arts and education, including Bedford Stuyvesant Head Start, the Restoration Information Technology Education (RITE) Center, the Youth Arts Academy and the Restoration Dance Theater, and economic development, including the Restoration Capital Fund.

Prior to joining Restoration, Mr. Grannum served as a founding director and the chief executive officer of Bridge Street Development Corporation (BSDC), a faith-based not-for-profit community development corporation affiliated with Bridge Street African Methodist Episcopal Church in Brooklyn, New York.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Mr. Colvin Grannum for his outstanding accomplishments and dedication to his community.

CONGRATULATING ASHLEY JOHNSON FOR STUDIES IN THE CRITICAL LANGUAGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 27, 2012

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Ashley Johnson, a constituent of mine from Coppell, Texas, on studying the Mandarin Chinese language in Beijing, China, under the Critical Language Scholarship Program.

The Critical Language Scholarship program was established in 2006 as part of the National Security Language Initiative. This interagency effort was formed with recognition of the need for our future diplomatic and intelligence personnel to learn languages such as Arabic, Farsi, Urdu, and Chinese. It provides an intensive regimen of study at beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels for both undergraduate and graduate students. The program goes beyond just language and provides cultural experiences by immersion in the host country.

I was proud when the U.S. State Department informed me that one of my constituents, Ashley Johnson, had successfully participated in the Critical Language Scholarship Program this past summer. Acceptance is highly competitive, and so I commend her studying Intermediate Chinese in Beijing. Johnson's success is a testament to dedication, skill, and hard work; and I look forward to her accomplishing great things in any endeavor that she pursues in life.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 24th Congressional District of Texas, I ask all my distinguished colleagues to join me in congratulating Ashley Johnson for her studies in the Critical Language Scholarship Program.

IN HONOR OF JIM COCHRAN

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 27, 2012

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge California native and long-time Santa Cruz County resident, Jim Cochran, who established Swanton Berry Farm 29 years ago in Davenport, California. Since its establishment, Swanton Berry Farm has become the first modern organic strawberry farm in California, utilizing standards and methods that have become a model for organic and sustainable farming.

Jim has displayed an incredible commitment to social justice. He has created a safe and friendly work environment that provides living wages, a medical plan, a retirement plan, and vacation and holiday pay for agricultural workers. Additionally, employees of Swanton Berry Farm are provided with access to low-cost housing options, which more than 75% of Swanton Berry Farm employees take advantage of. Because of this commitment, Swanton Berry Farm has become the first organic strawberry farm in the United States to be unionized by the United Farm Workers of America.

Jim's commitment to sustainable organic farming and the well-being of agriculture workers continues in his work with Roots of Change. Roots of Change brings a diverse range of Californians to the table to build a common interest in food and farming so that every aspect of our food—from the time it's grown to the time it's eaten—can be healthy, safe, profitable, affordable, and fair.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise to honor Mr. Jim Cochran, his achievements with Swanton Berry Farm, and his commitment and service to sustainable agriculture and socially just business practices.

HONORING COMMISSIONER
FRANCES DUPEY

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY
OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 27, 2012

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure and immense respect that I stand before you today to honor one of Northwest Indiana's finest public servants, Commissioner Frances DuPey, and to wish her well upon her upcoming retirement. Commissioner DuPey's many years of dedication and commitment to the residents of Lake County, Indiana, have had a tremendous impact on our community. In honor of Fran's retirement, a reception was held on Sunday, November 11, 2012, at Dynasty Banquets in Hammond, Indiana.

Fran DuPey was raised in Hammond, Indiana, and attended Hammond Technical Vocational High School until relocating to Lamoni, Iowa, where she completed her high school courses. Soon after, Fran returned to Northwest Indiana and enrolled in Hammond Business College.

Fran married her beloved husband, Frank, a Hammond police officer who would later become the Chief of Police, on November 14, 1964. Fran and Frank, who passed away last year, were blessed with one daughter, Veronica, and one son, Frank, as well as three beautiful grandchildren. It was her husband who first introduced Fran to the Democratic Party, and she has been a constant voice for the party in Northwest Indiana ever since. A loyal Democrat, Mrs. DuPey served eleven years as vice chair for the Hammond Democratic Precinct Organization, followed by five years as the Hammond Democratic Chairperson, and she has been a vice-precinct committeewoman for the past thirty years.

Commissioner DuPey's commitment to the people of Northwest Indiana spans far beyond party lines. In 1987, recognized for her tenacity and leadership qualities, Fran was elected to serve on the Lake County Council and served ten years in that capacity. With her election in 1987, then Councilwoman DuPey marked her place in Lake County's history as the first woman to serve on the Lake County Council. Fran, never one to rest on her laurels, was subsequently elected to serve as a Lake County Commissioner, again being the first woman to hold this office in Lake County. Commissioner DuPey, who has served in this capacity for the last sixteen years, also has the distinction of being the first woman to serve as president of both the Lake County Council and the Lake County Board of Commissioners.

During her many years of service, Commissioner DuPey has received numerous awards and acknowledgements for always going above and beyond for her constituents. One of her most notable recognitions came when she was honored as the "Most Enterprising First Term Commissioner" in the state of Indiana, an award bestowed upon her by the Indiana Association of County Commissioners. Fran's career will be remembered for her dedication to the people of Northwest Indiana and her always candid, up-front approach to tackling the issues at hand.

Fran DuPey has led a life dedicated to the service of others. I am fortunate to call her a friend.

Mr. Speaker, I respectfully ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in honoring a devoted public servant, Commissioner Frances DuPey. Fran's constant efforts to improve the quality of life for people of Lake County, Indiana, have had an immense impact on her peers and the many citizens whose lives she has touched. It has been an honor to work with Fran throughout the years, and I wish her the best upon her retirement.

TRIBUTE TO NAOMI COLLINS

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS
OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 27, 2012

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute and to honor Naomi Collins, for her track record in public service and her commitment to charity.

Naomi Collins was born in Brooklyn, New York, to the late James and Louise Miller. Mrs. Collins was educated in the New York City public school system. She attended Public School 309, Junior High School 35, Franklin K. Lane High School and Brooklyn College. She is married to Elder Michael Collins and has seven children and five grandchildren.

She currently attends Unity Temple Church of God in Christ in Brooklyn, New York, where the pastor is Elder Melvin Cooper. Mrs. Collins serves on the Deaconess Board as well as the Youth Department. She currently serves as District Youth Leader under Auxiliary Bishop Willie G. Robinson. She holds several licenses including a First Class FCC license as Chaplain in the State of New York and a Deaconess and Food Protection license.

From a young age Mrs. Collins was raised to be a valued and contributing member of her community. She served her community and church throughout her youth and as an adult, she always sought to do more to help others. It was this desire that led her to found the Faith Outreach Food Program to help feed the hungry and disadvantaged in her community. Now over 25 years later, Mrs. Collins is still operating the Faith Outreach Food Program through which she feeds thousands of underprivileged individuals each month. During her years of operating the Food Program, Mrs. Collins saw to other critical community needs. Each year Mrs. Collins adds new programs and events in order to reach as many disadvantaged and underserved groups in New York as possible. Her entire life has been devoted to serving others.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Mrs. Naomi Collins for her commitment to serving

others and continued dedication to the community.

TRIBUTE TO AMERICAN HERO
GLEN DOHERTY

HON. DUNCAN HUNTER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 27, 2012

Mr. HUNTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my profound respect for the four patriotic Americans who gave their lives on behalf of this nation, when the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya, was attacked on the 11th anniversary of the 9-11 terrorist attacks. All of them are heroes not just for their service in a foreign land that presented danger and a difficult diplomatic mission, but also for their selfless actions to defend the consulate and their immeasurable sacrifice protecting the cause of freedom.

One of the brave Americans who stayed at the consulate to repel the assault by a band of terrorists was former Navy SEAL, Glen Doherty. Glen was an inspiration in every part of his life, but his actions in the face of immense danger and personal risk, which saved the lives of many others, were not a surprise to those who knew him best. Glen's passion for life, his unbreakable loyalty and his commitment to helping others were only some of the reasons why he was so admired and respected, both personally and professionally.

When the consulate was attacked, Glen fought tirelessly throughout the night and into the next morning. It was on September 12 that Glen lost his life, after a mortar attack on the consulate. Because of Glen's awareness, his tactical coherency and experience as a sniper and combat paramedic, lives that otherwise might have been lost were preserved. And we all take great pride in the fact that Glen was someone who faithfully represented the most enduring and admired quality that's associated with elite combat warriors like the SEALs. He stood his ground. He never gave up and he fought hard to the end.

Glen's pioneering spirit, his determination and his selflessness is emblematic of America's goodness and the willingness of so many of our citizens to sacrifice for causes bigger than themselves. The preservation of freedom is dangerous and costly, but individuals like Glen are the reason why freedom is possible for others across the world who are eager to break the chains of oppression and put an end to violence that threatens innocence.

Glen's legacy now lives through a foundation in his name: The Glen Doherty Memorial Foundation. The foundation honors Glen's life and his beliefs, truly a fitting way to ensure that his ambition to serve and protect others continues for many years to come.

A close friend and SEAL Teammate of Glen's described him in a few words, which are worthy of repeating. He wrote, "My friend Glen: he would never pound his chest or tell you how great he was. Glen was a great listener and always had experienced advice. He was the jack-of-all-trades AND master of all. A rare person that was great at everything he did. A warrior spirit balanced by the kindest of hearts . . ."

Mr. Speaker. All of the Americans that died that day are heroes in their own right. Glen's