and steadfast support of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal trail, the Delaware delegation hereby dedicates the trail to him and officially recognizes the name as the "Michael N. Castle Trail at the C&D Canal."

REMEMBERING RICHARD BAUER

• Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, today I wish to honor the life of Richard Lueking Bauer, a distinguished Idahoan who will be greatly missed.

Dick has been an involved Idahoan since he and his family moved to American Falls in 1963 when he purchased Bauer Chevrolet and Oldsmobile. Dick owned the business for 22 years and was recognized as a dedicated member of the community. Prior to moving to American Falls in 1963, Dick Bauer studied economics at Westminster College in Salt Lake City, Utah, served in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Germany in 1954–1956 and married his wife of 55 years, Lois Saathoff.

Throughout his life, he devoted considerable time to community service and served in leadership roles on numerous boards, commissions and organizations. This includes his service on the Power County Airport Board, the Idaho Board of Aeronautics and the Board of Directors of the Idaho Housing and Finance Association. He was also a committed Lutheran, who was actively involved in Lutheran churches in his communities, and he was a member of the Board of Regents of Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Washington.

His efforts in the Republican Party included his service as national committeeman; State party chair, secretary and treasurer; county, regional and district chairman; mentor to political candidates; and member of the Ada County Lincoln Day Association. He also served as an elector for President Reagan and Vice-President Bush. President George H.W. Bush appointed Dick to serve as Regional Administrator for Region X of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Dick Bauer leaves behind a legacy of devoted service. He was a person that people turned to for assistance and leadership, and he touched the lives of many people. I extend my deep condolences to his wife, Lois, and their family. Dick will be missed but not forgotten.

RICHLAND COUNTY FAIR

• Mr. KOHL. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the 150th anniversary of the Richland County Fair. I am proud to honor this celebration and all that this event has contributed to the State of Wisconsin.

The Richland County Agricultural Society was founded in 1857 with the mission to improve "the character and operation of the agricultural, mechanical, and household arts." In order to achieve its mission, later that year it

sponsored a cattle show and fair. The success of that first cattle show led the organization to purchase the fairground, which has allowed them to evolve and continue to sponsor this popular fair for the next 100 years. Since the original fair in 1857, year in and year out, organizers have proudly showcased the beauty, simplicity, and fortitude of rural Wisconsin life: the only years the fairs were not held were during the four summers of our Nation's Civil War. After turning over the fairground and buildings to Richland County in 1957, this landmark celebration became officially known as the Richland County Fair. For 150 years, the Richland County Fair has built upon the foundation of recognition of the agricultural, mechanical, and household arts that truly represent the beauty of Wisconsin.

While Wisconsin's agriculture has changed since the mid-19th century, the fun of the fair traditions has not. It is through events like these that our communities come together to celebrate Wisconsin's unique offerings, culture, and traditions. It has stood the test of good and bad economies and serves as a reminder of our dairy and farming heritage. In recent years, the fair has provided entertainment to the citizens of Richland County and visitors by holding tractor pulls, magic shows, music concerts, games, and rides. With a rich, illustrious history, the Richland County Fair rings in its sesquicentennial anniversary and will no doubt head into many future fairs that build upon a wonderful community legacy. I am proud to have the opportunity to honor this event and honor the spirit of celebration that the Richland County Fair brings to the great State of Wisconsin.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF UTAH 4-H

• Mr. LEE. Mr. President, Thomas Jefferson once wrote in a letter to George Washington: "Agriculture is our wisest pursuit, because it will in the end contribute most to real wealth, good mor-als, and happiness." Before their faces were chiseled into monuments and printed on dollar bills, many of the patriots who founded our Nation and who fought and died for the freedoms we cherish were simple farmers. Washington, Jefferson, and others like them were doing much more than just growing food to live off of; they were laying the groundwork for a culture of self-reliance that played a role in America's fight for independence and its sustained growth over the past 200 years. While technology has changed the focus of our economy from agriculture to a variety of other sectors, it is crucial that we remember the principles set forth by our Founders. For the past 100 years, the 4-H Club of Utah has provided youth with the opportunity to cultivate and continue our Nation's rich agricultural heritage while simultaneously training them in the technologies and advancements of the future. Thus, Utah 4-H's centennial theme—"Celebrating the Past, Creating the Future"—is particularly pertinent. I find it appropriate to commemorate Utah 4-H at its centennial in the halls and records of Congress.

The four H's stand for Head, Heart, Hands and Health. The head represents the quest for knowledge, the heart symbolizes love and service to others. hands signify hard work and the development of diligence, and health emphasizes the importance of healthy habits and a healthy lifestyle. While the educational arm of the program was originally centered in farm communities, the program has extended far beyond that with over a third of its members living in metropolitan and suburban areas. Roughly the same percent of members represent minority populations.

The express mission of 4-H is to "engage youth to reach their fullest potential while advancing the field of youth development," and as its motto states, "to make the best better." The 4-H of Utah strives to broaden horizons and connect participating youth with greater opportunities than would otherwise be available to them. Scholarships are offered to high school seniors and college students in need to allow them to take their 4-H education and skills to college and beyond.

The 4-H Club was established in Utah in 1912 but its roots run much deeperback to the 1888 founding of the "Agricultural College of Utah," which is now known as Utah State University. The purpose of the 4-H Club was to educate youth about new agricultural technology so that they might pass them to their own farm communities and improve the State's agricultural industry. By 1931, Utah's 4-H Club was declared to be the fastest growing in the Nation, and now in 2012, it serves over 75,000 youth. From holding a strict focus on agriculture, cooking, and home economics, 4-H has grown and now offers over a thousand programs ranging from robotics to skateboarding. The program has succeeded in large part due to the dedication of a group of volunteers who are passionate about the work of 4-H. I commend and express gratitude to the 9,500 current 4-H volunteers, and the tens of thousands that came before them. I owe Utah 4-H a personal debt of gratitude, as my own chief of staff, Spencer Stokes, is a program alumnus who has brought skills and principles he learned in 4-H to his leadership role

The world is no longer a simple place for the youth of our Nation. They face a cloudy economic horizon with an excess of workers competing for a dearth of jobs. 4-H gives participating youth a tremendous advantage and competitive edge from a young age—helping them build healthy relationships, cultivate fruitful habits and hobbies, and learn skills to take into their communities and industries. 4-H has played a tremendous role in making Utah a better

in my office.

place for our youth and making our youth better contributors to our communities around the Nation. ●

TRIBUTE TO JIM SUTTON

• Mr. LEE. Mr. President, the United States Air Force has always been on the cutting edge of technology, ensuring the safety of Americans from a wide variety of threats. The advancement and sustainment of this technology has come as a result of the hard work of visionary leaders in research and intelligence sectors of the United States Armed Services. One of these visionary leaders is Jim Sutton, the Director of Plans and Programs for the Ogden Air Logistics Center at Hill Air Force Base. After an honorable and decorated career, Jim is retiring from public service. I wish to honor him today.

The Ogden Air Logistics Center is one of the United States foremost warfighter sustainment organizations, with management and maintenance responsibilities for some of the world's most advanced weapons systems. Their motto is "Innovative leaders for the defense technologies of the future; combining action and quality to ensure the systems you depend on are done right!" Jim Sutton has served as the director of Plans and Programs at the Ogden Air Logistics Center. During his tenure, he has turned the center into a model of fiscal responsibility and efficiency. Jim also oversaw the Enhanced Use Lease Program Management Office, which manages real estate transactions authorized by the Department of Defense Leasing Authority. I should note that Hill's Enhanced Use Lease Program Management office is the largest in the country. During his tenure as director he simultaneously served as a crucial advisor to the Utah Defense Alliance, where his colleagues note his instrumental leadership role during the Base Realignment and Closure act of 2005. One of Jim's crowning achievements at Hill is Falcon Hill, a state of the art National Aerospace Research Park located within the base itself.

Jim's career began long before he joined the directorate at the Ogden Air Logistics Center. His active duty began over 30 years ago in 1980. During that time he served in important judicial advocacy positions at the Los Angeles Air Force Base, the United States Air Forces European Headquarters in Germany, the Pentagon, San Antonio Contracting Center, Peterson Air Force Base in Colorado, Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland, Air Force Materiel Command at Wright Patterson Air Force Base and Scott Air Force base in Illinois. He has received several awards and commendations, including the Air Force Commendation Medal in 1983, five Meritorious Service Medals, the Albert M. Kuhlfeld Award for Outstanding Young Judge Advocate in both 1986 and 1990, the Outstanding Career Judge Advocate in 1996, the Stuart Reichart Award for Outstanding Senior Attorney in 1999, and the Outstanding Achievement Award for work from 2001–2003

On a more personal level, coworkers describe Jim as a man of integrity, who fought for causes important to Utah the advancement and to and sustainment of Air Force technology. He has been a tremendous ally between the armed services and the state of Utah, working closely with Utah's congressional delegation in the advancement and progress of Hill Air Force Base. He has made it his personal mission to both sustain the viability of Hill Air Force Base and fight for its continued advancement. The base is now one of the top employers in Utah, providing jobs for over 23,000 Utahns. He has brought tremendous military credibility and knowledge to the state of Utah and will remain a respected and beloved authority to Utah's armed services community. Jim's personal efforts have contributed to the advancement and sustainment of our nation's military technology, namely our highly technical weapons systems. The people of the United States owe Jim a tremendous debt of gratitude for his dedication and service. Sharon and I extend our best wishes to Jim and his family as they begin a new chapter in their lives.

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF UNITED WAY

• Ms. MIKULSKI. Mr. President, I want to take this opportunity to celebrate 125 Years of United Way, the world's largest privately supported non-profit with 1,800 communities based throughout 41 countries and territories.

In 1887, a group of Denver community leaders recognized the need for cooperative action to address their city's problems. They created an organization to collect funds for local charities, and to coordinate relief services, counsel, and make emergency assistance grants. This community establishment sparked a national movement that ultimately became the world's leading community impact organizations.

Over the last 125 years, United Way has worked collaboratively with communities in the U.S. and around the globe, enabling individuals to achieve their maximum human potential through education and financial stability.

In my home State, the United Way of Central Maryland has had a significant impact on the lives of my constituents. Each year, over 33,000 Marylanders receive nutritious meals, and 7,000 are provided with housing. Nearly 200 Maryland youths received scholarships this year, and 600 were provided with school readiness services. The resources provided by United Way of Central Maryland have assisted each and every kind of problem my constituents face—from helping a single father of two children get employment, to pro-

viding the necessary treatment and funding for a local woman with advanced heart disease.

United Way is known for its successful partnerships. One example includes the collaboration between United Way and the Alliance of Information and Referral Systems resulted in the successful petitioning of the Federal Communications Commission to designate the telephone number "211" for health and human services information and referral. Partnerships with corporations such as MTV and CNN, along with 120 United Ways Global Corporate Leadership Companies, and the establishment of the United Way Financial Stability Partnership, have allowed United Way to be an extraordinary contributor to thousands of communities in this country and abroad.

Since its inception, United Way has led disaster response in crises around the globe. In response to the terrorist attacks of 9/11, the United Way of New York City and the New York Community Trust established the September 11th Fund to mobilize financial resources for the needs of the individuals impacted by the tragedies. It raised an astounding \$425 million. Three years later, in response to the tsunami that stuck Southeast Asia, The United Way Coordinated Crisis Response Team worked with United Way communities around the world to respond to the nations impacted by the disaster.

The invaluable impact of the United Way and its associates is without question. On behalf of myself, and speaking for the countless individuals and communities that have regained their strengths and lived better lives due to this organization, I would like to congratulate United Way on 125 years of extraordinary global service.

NORTHWEST KIDNEY CENTERS

• Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I wish to congratulate Northwest Kidney Centers on its 50th anniversary and to commemorate the organization's service and dedication to kidney patients in my home State of Washington.

In 1960, Dr. Belding Scribner, a University of Washington researcher, created the Teflon shunt, a medical device that allowed patients suffering from kidney disease access to ongoing dialysis treatments. This invention paved the way for the creation of the Northwest Kidney Centers, the first out-of-hospital dialysis organization in the world.

Since opening its doors on January 8, 1962, the Northwest Kidney Centers has grown into a national leader in the field of patient care, education, research, and prevention. It is now the largest community-based, nonprofit dialysis provider in the country—providing approximately 25 percent of Washington State's dialysis patients in 14 centers and 12 local hospitals in King and Clallam Counties. Last year Northwest Kidney Centers served nearly 1,500 patients and trained and supervised 200 patients in self-treatment at