

the First Congressional District of Minnesota, and our nation. For combined 70 years, Colonel and Captain Peterson assessed our best and brightest candidates, enabling these young recruits to continue the proud tradition of attending United States Service Academies. Both Colonel and Captain Peterson are patriotic Americans who deserve this nation's thanks and gratitude.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 316—94TH
NATIONAL AMERICAN LEGION
CELEBRATION

HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 13, 2013

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize American Legion Post

316, located in Woodstock, Georgia, which will celebrate 94 years of patriotic service on March 21, 2013.

Since the American Legion received its Congressional Charter in 1919, it has grown to more than 2.4 million members at over 14,000 posts across the world. Mr. Speaker, as the country's largest wartime veteran's organization, the National American Legion has become a leading advocate for devoted veterans, active service members, and strong communities.

In that spirit, American Legion Post 316 will honor local men and women for their exemplary service. Detective Ron Hughes, Lieutenant Matt O'Keefe, Officer Cullen Fitchett, Jenny Banas, Matt Marano, Bobby Brian Dean, James Brennan, and Eagle Scout William Harrison Stepat will receive awards for their accomplishments in Cherokee County law enforcement, firefighting, and Boy Scouts.

To American Legion Post 316, Cherokee County law enforcement, firefighters, and community leaders: On behalf of Georgia's 11th District, my deepest thanks for your service and your commitment.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 13, 2013

Ms. LEE of California. Mr. Speaker, I was not present for rollcall vote 63. Had I been able to vote, I would have voted "yes."

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, March 14, 2013 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

MARCH 15

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations
To hold hearings to examine JPMorgan Chase whale trades.

SD-G50

MARCH 18

2 p.m.

Committee on the Judiciary
To hold hearings to examine how comprehensive immigration reform should address the needs of women and families.

SD-226

MARCH 19

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services
To hold hearings to examine U.S. European Command, U.S. Northern Command, and U.S. Southern Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2014 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session.

SH-216

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
To hold hearings to examine bipartisan solutions for house finance reform.

SD-538

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine the options and challenges related to possible reauthorization and reform of two payment programs for local governments, focusing on the recently expired "Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act" and the "Payment in Lieu of Taxes".

SD-366

Committee on Foreign Relations
Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs

To hold hearings to examine Syria's humanitarian crisis.

SD-419

Committee on the Judiciary
Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights

To hold hearings to examine the American Airlines/US Airways merger, focusing on consolidation, competition, and consumers.

SD-226

10:30 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard

To hold hearings to examine developments and opportunities in United States fisheries management.

SR-253

Committee on Finance

To hold hearings to examine the President's 2013 trade agenda.

SD-215

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Armed Services

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities

To receive a briefing on cybersecurity threats in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2014 and the Future Years Defense Program; to be immediately followed by a closed briefing in SVC-217.

SR-222

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine keeping savings in the retirement system.

SD-430

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Gregory Alan Phillips, of Wyoming, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit, and Karol Virginia Mason, of Georgia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice.

SD-226

Select Committee on Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

3 p.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment

To hold hearings to examine streamlining regulation, improving consumer protection and increasing competition in insurance markets.

SD-538

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To hold hearings to examine the trajectory of democracy in Hungary, focusing on Hungary's constitutional changes with a particular view to the independence of the judiciary, present-day Hungary's relationship to its Holocaust-era past, and the implications of Hungary's sweeping legal changes for civil society, including an independent media and religious organizations.

SVC-210

MARCH 20

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Science and Space

To hold hearings to examine assessing the risks, impacts, and solutions for space threats.

SR-253

Committee on Finance

To hold hearings to examine reforming the delivery system, focusing on the

Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation.

SD-215

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Business meeting to consider an original bill entitled, "Animal Drug and Animal Generic Drug User Fee Reauthorization Act of 2013", and S. 330, to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish safeguards and standards of quality for research and transplantation of organs infected with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV).

SD-430

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine Hurricane Sandy, focusing on getting the recovery right and the value of mitigation.

SD-342

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the future of drones in America, focusing on law enforcement and privacy considerations.

SD-226

Committee on Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine Veterans Affairs mental health care, focusing on ensuring timely access to high-quality care.

SR-418

2 p.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine building an immigration system worthy of American values.

SD-226

2:15 p.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine counterterrorism policies and priorities, focusing on addressing the evolving threat.

SD-419

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine aviation safety, focusing on the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) progress on key safety initiatives.

SR-253

MARCH 21

10 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the Department of Homeland Security at 10 years, focusing on a progress report on management.

SD-342

2:30 p.m.

Select Committee on Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

APRIL 9

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Forces Korea in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2014 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session.

SD-G50

APRIL 11

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the Department of the Air Force in review of the