

the department's first ever Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team by developing the policies, procedures, training regimen, and deployment strategies. On May 1, 1991, Jim was appointed to lead the unit after which he selected the personnel for the police department's first ever SWAT unit. Jim served as the unit commander until 2000 and his direction established the standard for future SWAT members and leaders.

Jim commanded numerous divisions during his career including Criminal Investigations, Administrative Services, Special Operations, Detention Services, and spent several rotations leading patrol shifts as a Patrol Commander. Jim was often looked to for direction and guidance in the Police Department because of his expansive experience and knowledge. His ability to provide quality and calm leadership in all situations was a valuable resource for the police department.

Jim and his wife Vickie will be married 37 years this November and are the proud parents of Daniel and Torie. Outside the police department, Jim has spent a great deal of his personal time as a basketball coach in various North Texas leagues.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 24th Congressional District of Texas, I ask all my distinguished colleagues to join me in thanking Jim Grayson for his 35 years of public service.

HONORING MR. JACK REVELLE

**HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 26, 2013*

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, on January 24, 1961, a B52 Stratofortress was flying a patrol path when it crashed into a field outside of Goldsboro, North Carolina. As it crashed into the field, the aircraft's bomb bay doors opened releasing two nuclear bombs from the bay.

In the midst of a possible nuclear disaster, Mr. Jack ReVelle received a phone call from a squadron commander notifying him that there was a crash. Mr. ReVelle, a munitions expert, immediately flew into Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, where he was transported to the crash site. When Mr. ReVelle reached the crash site, he found one bomb hanging on a tree but the second bomb had been buried under a deep puddle of mud.

Fortunately, Mr. ReVelle identified that the first bomb was on safe switch mode, imposing no imminent threat. However, the second bomb was missing and became a part of history as a "Broken Arrow". There was great fear that this missing bomb would detonate and it took several days for Mr. ReVelle and his team to find the second bomb. Once found, Mr. ReVelle risked his life in order to defuse the nuclear bomb by taking out the core of the bomb while still buried in the mud. After the core was successfully taken out, the ARM/SAFE switch was located and it was confirmed that the switch was on the ARM position. If Mr. ReVelle had not shown such bravery, this nation would have endured an Mk-39 nuclear bomb explosion, yielding a 3.80 megaton effect obliterating everything and everyone that was in its radius.

I am proud to recognize and honor Mr. ReVelle as a true American hero. This nation

is grateful for Mr. ReVelle's courageous efforts to protect the American people from a devastating nuclear bomb.

DOMINICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION  
SIXTEEN YEAR ANNIVERSARY

**HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 26, 2013*

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, today I stand to recognize the 16th anniversary of The Dominican Medical Association. An organization dedicated to providing information on disease prevention, education, and counseling to New York City communities.

The Dominican Medical Association or DMA was founded on April 26, 1997, by a group of physicians from the Dominican Republic. Their mission has been to educate communities on health issues and to assist newly arrived physicians from abroad in obtaining jobs in their respected fields, providing them with the tools needed to pass the medical boards, and integrating them into the local medical community.

Last year was one of multiple accomplishments for the Dominican Medical Association. In line with its mission a total of 1119 people were served through health fairs, medical conferences, forums, symposiums, and trainings. The vast majority served through the DMA are Hispanics living throughout all of New York's boroughs.

Information and knowledge on health is vital. My beloved village of Harlem and many areas of my district are predominately inhabited by minorities who have been affected by many health concerns that are the direct result of lack of knowledge on preventative care. Obesity is just an example of one of the diseases that has plagued our communities but it is an epidemic that can be stopped and the DMA works tirelessly and has worked for quite some time to be a part of this movement to get our communities on a healthy track. The DMA's outreach programs help to enlighten our communities, helping them to make better health conscious decisions about the way they live.

As the representative to the largest Dominican population in the country it gives me great pride to see a thriving organization not only rooted in that heritage but one that works to provide information for a predominantly Hispanic demographic. The youths of my district and those all over New York have a brighter future because of organizations like the DMA and their mission to spread knowledge and awareness.

Mr. Speaker I ask you and my colleagues to join me in honoring this remarkable organization and all of the good that they do.

HONORING U.S. ARMY OFFICER  
MARION B. GAULTIER FOR HER  
SERVICE

**HON. BRUCE L. BRALEY**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 26, 2013*

Mr. BRALEY of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, today, I am here to honor and celebrate the life of an

American patriot, 2nd Lieutenant Marion B. Gaultier.

Marion was born in May of 1923, in Fremont, Nebraska, but was raised in Vinton, Iowa, graduating from Vinton High School. She graduated from the School of Nursing at Mercy Hospital in Des Moines in 1944 at which point she was commissioned as an officer into the U.S. Army.

Marion was discharged from service in 1946, then went on to work for the VA hospital in Menlo Park, California. She met her husband, fellow veteran John Gaultier at the hospital she was employed at. They married in 1970 and moved to Vinton that same year.

Marion dedicated her life to helping others. She hosted blind children in her home. She was the Chair of the annual Easter Seals fundraiser at the American Legion, and cared for her ailing parents in their later years. AMVETS recognizes her passion for helping others by bestowing her name on the Post. It will now and forever be known as the "Marion B. Gaultier-Phillis M. Kulaszewski AMVET Post 218 Benton County, Iowa."

TRIBUTE ON THE OCCASION OF  
BISHOP J. DREW SHEARD'S ASCENSION  
TO THE GENERAL BOARD OF THE CHURCH OF GOD  
IN CHRIST

**HON. GARY C. PETERS**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 26, 2013*

Mr. PETERS of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my friend, Bishop J. Drew Sheard of Greater Emmanuel Institutional Church of God in Christ in Detroit, Michigan, as his family, friends and congregation celebrate his ascension to the General Board of the Church of God in Christ.

As the son of minister Bishop John H. Sheard, J. Drew Sheard accepted the teachings and salvation of Christ early in his life. He later heeded the call to the Ministry and was guided by his father to develop his leadership skills. The lessons he learned as he worked diligently in his local church are ones that he has carried with him in service to both the Greater Detroit region and the Church of God in Christ's international organization.

Bishop Sheard was called to the Pastorate of Greater Emmanuel in 1988, a time of challenge for the congregation. Bishop Sheard immediately got to work, organizing and mobilizing the small but devoted membership of his congregation and as a result, the congregation began to grow significantly. As the pastor of Greater Emmanuel, Bishop Sheard has implemented a number of new and innovative programs, which include a TV ministry, an annual Youth and Women's Conference and Greater Emmanuel Men's Society. These programs more actively engaged the congregation in the community, strengthening the social fabric of the Southeast Michigan region. Bishop Sheard has also emphasized the importance of working with other denominations to provide programs that serve the community and offer support to those in need, which has earned him a reputation as a leader that is capable of building bridges within the Greater Detroit community.

While serving as pastor to Greater Emmanuel, Bishop Sheard has also been an active

leader in the larger Church of God in Christ (COGIC) organization. From 1997–2000, he served the COGIC as the president of its International Youth Department, where he worked with youth to create a peer mentoring program and developed programs for young men and women that promote strong education, bravery, discipline and spiritual development. In his current positions within the larger CGC organization, Bishop Sheard serves as Chairman of the Auxiliaries in Ministries, Superintendent of the Emmanuel District and Administrative Assistance of the North Central Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of Michigan.

Mr. Speaker, Bishop J. Drew Sheard's service as pastor to the congregation of Greater Emmanuel Institutional Church of God in Christ and his leadership in the Greater Detroit region have done much to strengthen the community. I congratulate him on his elevation to the General Board of the Church of God in Christ and look forward to continuing to work with him to improve the quality-of-life and vitality of our community in Southeast Michigan and many other communities around the world.

CONGRATULATING THE AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM OF IOWA

**HON. BRUCE L. BRALEY**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 26, 2013*

Mr. BRALEY of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the African American Museum of Iowa in Cedar Rapids on its 20th birthday celebration. It is an honor to have this great institution in my district.

The idea of establishing the African American Museum of Iowa came about in 1993 when a small group from Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Cedar Rapids began the project in celebration of Black History Month. Twenty years later, this facility has become an Iowa landmark that celebrates the rich African

American history in my district and in the state of Iowa.

In June of 2008, the African American Museum was devastated by nearly six feet of floodwater, resulting in the loss of the Museum's flagship exhibit. Through the perseverance of Executive Director Thomas Moore, their Board of Directors, their staff, and the support of their community, the African American Museum pulled through and reopened only seven months after it was closed. The success that this museum has had since it reopened in January of 2009 is a true testament to the hard work of the Museum's staff and volunteers from across Iowa.

Today, I congratulate the African American Museum of Iowa on a successful 20 years. I look forward to the future of this institution as it strives to preserve, exhibit, and teach the African American heritage of Iowa.

HONORING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INTERNATIONAL ICE PATROL

**HON. JOE COURTNEY**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 26, 2013*

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the United States Coast Guard International Ice Patrol (IIP). Today marks the IIPs 100th anniversary, and on this occasion I would ask that my colleagues join me in honoring this distinguished group's service towards achieving maritime safety for passengers and commerce traversing the North Atlantic.

Prior to the establishment of an organization tasked with monitoring risks and sharing information, trans-Atlantic travel presented serious dangers to passengers and cargo. Among these risks was the presence of icebergs, which presented numerous obstacles in Transatlantic shipping lanes. These icebergs were a prominent threat to all who braved these long voyages, but it took a tragedy of international

proportions and historic scope to bring the danger into focus. On April 15, 1912, the sinking of the RMS *Titanic* due to an iceberg strike instigated the provided the impetus for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) agreement, and the establishment of the International Ice Patrol, managed by the United States Coast Guard.

Other than the years interrupted by the two world wars, the IIP has been active in every ice season 1913. The Revenue Cutter Service, precursor to the modern day Coast Guard, provided two cutters—the *Seneca* and *Miami*—to meet the needs of protecting trans-Atlantic shipping routes from the dangers of icebergs. For many subsequent decades, Coast Guard IIP ships would brave the waters of the North Atlantic to provide timely data and warning to safeguard global commerce.

The current mission of the International Ice Patrol is to monitor the iceberg activity surrounding the Grand Banks of Newfoundland that threatens trans-Atlantic shipping lanes, with an average of 500 icebergs from Greenland's glaciers drifting into these vital channels. This area, with its high concentration of oil platforms, fishing vessels, fog, and tremendous iceberg activity, makes it one of the most dangerous areas in the world for maritime transportation. Today, Coast Guard fixed wing aircraft perform aerial reconnaissance to monitor icebergs providing real time data on this persistent danger. To date, no ship that has heeded International Ice Patrol warnings has struck an iceberg.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the United States Coast Guard International Ice Patrol's dedication to protecting the lives and livelihoods of the many courageous mariners that daily cross the seas and who form the backbone of our international maritime trade. Safe and reliable transportation is a critical component of trade, which is further a driver of economic growth. We would be bereft of these benefits without the hard work of the men and women of the International Ice Patrol.