

expansion of the Dubuque airport and expansion of the water treatment facilities at Eagle Point.

Throughout his life, Walt has continued to serve Dubuque's labor community. He was a delegate to the Dubuque Federation of Labor and chaired the UAW Local 94 Cope Committee. Walt currently serves as the President of the UAW Local 94 Retiree Chapter. I congratulate Walt on his induction into the Dubuque Area Labor Hall of Fame and wish him all of the best in his future endeavors.

IN RECOGNITION OF DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 4, 2013

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. as it celebrates its 100th anniversary. Since its inception at Howard University in January 1913, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. has striven to serve the community. For 100 years, its leaders and members have continued the legacy and goals of its founders. They are committed to public service, education and social action locally, nationally and worldwide.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. has a rich history to celebrate. Its second chapter was established in 1914 at Wilberforce University and it was incorporated as a national organization in 1930. In 1950, its first foreign chapter was established in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. celebrated its Golden Anniversary Year in 1963 with President Kennedy and Vice President Johnson and four years later met with President Johnson to discuss community issues and concerns. Over the years, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. has continued to grow, and in 2010, welcomed over 16,000 members from across the globe to its 50th National Convention.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. works toward the advancement of civil rights, women's rights and equality and provides support and education to the community and world. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. has been responsible for the establishment of numerous schools in the United States and abroad. It has held conferences and summits for women, blacks, single parents and young men. In 1992, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was the first African American organization to become affiliated with Habitat for Humanity.

Mr. Speaker, once again, please join me in congratulating Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. on its 100th Anniversary and recognizing the Monmouth County Alumnae Chapter for the work they do to progress the mission of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF FORMER UMATAC MAYOR DEAN SANCHEZ

HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 4, 2013

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of Dean D. San-

chez, former Mayor of the village of Umatac, Guam. Dean was born on June 21, 1961, and was one of the seven children of a former village Chief Commissioner, Vincente Q. Sanchez, and his wife Priscilla Q. Sanchez. Dean married Jennifer Aguon Sanchez and have two sons, Alexander Dean and Chance Theo. Dean passed away on January 14, 2013, at the age of 51.

Before Dean was appointed Mayor of Umatac by former Governor Joseph F. Ada in 1991 he served as the Administrative Assistant to late former Mayor T. Topasna. Dean served as Mayor of Umatac until January 1993, after which he returned to his position as Administrative Assistant for former Mayor Daniel Q. Sanchez. In 2008, Dean ran for the position of Mayor and was elected by the residents of Umatac.

As Mayor of Umatac, Dean dedicated his life to serving the residents of his village. He paid particular attention to the wellbeing of the people of Umatac by voicing their concerns, such as the closing of F.Q. Sanchez Elementary and increasing cultural awareness in his participation in hosting Discovery Day festivities in Umatac. In addition to his elected role as Mayor of Umatac, Dean wore many hats and served the entire community of Guam as a member of the Commission on Self Determination; the Guam Product 19 Seal Task Force; the Department of Agriculture Aquatic & Wildlife 20 Resources—Fisheries; Civilian/Military Task Force; Association of Mariana Islands Mayors (AMIM), Vice Mayors, and Elected 22 Municipal Council Members.

Dean will be missed by all who knew and loved him. I extend my condolences to wife Jennifer, his family and loved ones, including his children, Alexander and Chance.

RECOGNIZING BRIAN BOATRIGHT, RECIPIENT OF THE BOY SCOUT HONOR MEDAL

HON. DANIEL WEBSTER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 4, 2013

Mr. WEBSTER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, today I am pleased to commend the heroic actions of a young member of our Central Florida community. In recognition of his swift and decisive action in a moment of life or death, Brian Boatright has been awarded the Boy Scout's Honor Medal.

On the fifth day of a tough hike up Big Red, a rugged New Mexico mountain, one of Brian's troop leaders suffered an apparent heart attack and collapsed. Stranded without cell phone reception 11,000 feet up the mountain, Brian and his fellow scouts acted on the skills and knowledge learned during scouting.

While others in the group searched for cell reception and applied CPR, Brian led several of his fellow Scouts as they navigated four miles to the nearest staffed camp. From the camp, a helicopter was called to the site and the leader was evacuated to a hospital where he underwent successful heart bypass surgery. For his actions on Big Red that day, Brian was awarded the Boy Scout's Honor Medal, one of the highest honors awarded by the Boy Scouts.

The Honor Medal is bestowed on scouts who demonstrate unusual heroism and skill or

resourcefulness in saving or attempting to save life at considerable risk to self. In the 90-year history of the Boy Scouts, only 2,302 other scouts have been awarded the Honor Medal. Brian is a sophomore at Bishop Moore High School and a member of Troop 6 in Orlando.

I commend Brian for his quick thinking and decisive actions under great pressure. His deeds are a credit to the Boy Scouts and he is well deserving of this recognition.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 4, 2013

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 3, 2009, the day I took office, the national debt was \$10,627,961,295,930.67.

Today, it is \$16,433,791,850,294.04. We've added \$5,805,830,554,363.37 to our debt in 4 years. This is \$5.8 trillion in debt our Nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a Balanced Budget Amendment. We must stop this unconscionable accumulation of debt.

IN HONOR OF THE UNI-CAPITOL WASHINGTON INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 4, 2013

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the Uni-Capitol Washington Internship Program. Since its inception 14 years ago, the program has placed some of Australia's best and most passionate university students with House and Senate offices for two-month full-time internships annually. These internships have enabled me and my staff, who have participated since the program's inception, to share in our common values and ideals while at the same time learning more about the culture and people of Australia.

This year, I am delighted to welcome Elizabeth Flora into my Washington, DC office. I am thrilled to have the opportunity to participate in this valuable exchange program, meeting Australian students that have a passion for American politics. Since its commencement, the program has seen more than 130 young Australians walk the halls of Congress in various capacities and it is with the utmost pride that I recognize the importance of the Uni-Capitol Washington Internship Program in the United States House of Representatives.

Elizabeth joined my office on January 2, 2013 from the University of Canberra where she is pursuing her B.A. in Communications and Media. During her time in my office, Elizabeth has proven herself to be a caring, humorous, intelligent and dedicated intern and I am honored to host her. In addition to serving my constituents with professionalism and respect, she has attended hearings and briefings, drafted legislative correspondence and has assisted my staffers with a variety of important research projects.

In addition to working in offices throughout Congress, all Uni-Capitol Washington interns are given the opportunity to explore our brand of democracy through panel discussions with political correspondents, Members of Congress and representatives from various government offices as well as professionals at non-government agencies.

Founded and directed by former House and Senate staffer, Eric Federing, the program fosters cultural and educational exchanges between the United States and Australia. Mr. Federing deserves distinguished praise for his efforts and dedication in coordinating this program, and the support and opportunities he provides to all participants is truly incredible.

Mr. Speaker, I cannot fully express how critical this program is to strengthening ties with America's allies and offering inspiration for the students of today that may become the leaders of tomorrow. Participating in this program has been a remarkable experience that has inspired Elizabeth for her future endeavors and gave my office the sincere pleasure of having an Australian working among us. I extend my sincere appreciation to Mr. Federing for developing and organizing this program, to my fellow Members of Congress and their dedicated staff for hosting, to Elizabeth for grasping this opportunity with an open heart and a curious mind and to all participants for engaging in public service. I ask my colleagues to join with me in recognizing the contributions of the Uni-Capitol Washington Internship Program and, again, thanking Elizabeth Flora for her admirable participation and diligent work.

CLAIRTON BEARS PIAA CLASS A STATE CHAMPIONS

HON. MICHAEL F. DOYLE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 4, 2013

Mr. DOYLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Clairton Bears on another perfect high school football season and their fourth consecutive PIAA Class A state championship victory.

The Bears now have 63 straight wins after their victory in Hershey, PA, giving them the longest winning streak in all of high school, collegiate, and professional football. It is also the longest such streak in Pennsylvania history.

Both the players and the coaches put in years of hard work that led to this sustained success on the field, and in their success they have brought hope to the town and the region.

Tom Nola has now served as the team's head coach for 11 years, and he is assisted by coaches Tim Bukowski, Jim Dumm, Eric Fusco, Marc Gambino, Wayne Wade, Jr., and Remondo Williams, Sr.

The team was led by sixteen seniors—Tyus Booker, Santeaun Sims, Bryon Clifford, Terrish Webb, Titus Howard, Nick Boswell, Vinny Moody, Robert Boatwright, Armani Ford, Tyler Boyd, Sedrick Nash, Devonte Harvey, Damond Flowers, Jordan Gressem, Kyuss Jeter, and Garret Santoline.

In addition, the team included a number of underclassmen—JoJuan Bray, Ryan Williams, Tyreike Hammonds, Khalil Berry, Aaron Matthews, Vance Allen, Esaias Hammons, Brandon Murphy, James Hines, Deven Fritz,

Demar Bell, Jjuan Jackson, Brian Brown, Raymone Clifford, Josh Wilson, Dryan Davenport, Vance Gibson, Israel Melvin, Will Hampton, Jhsia Miles, Devondre Brown, Jayll Hall, Carilito Spence, and Allen Norris.

The Clairton Bears continue to make Pittsburgh proud through the high standard of athletic excellence they have brought to the gridiron. Clairton has a rich history of perseverance and hard work, and the Bears continue to build on that legacy. I give them my hearty congratulations, and I wish them all the best as they look to dive deeper into the record books next season.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF BLACK JANUARY

HON. GENE GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 4, 2013

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise in remembrance of the over 130 innocent men, women, and children who were killed by the Red Army in the days following its invasion of Azerbaijan 23 years ago.

On January 20, 1990, the Soviet Union, in a brutal attempt to end the growing independence movement in Azerbaijan, sent in 26,000 troops under the pretext of restoring public order, while actually aiming to forcefully end peaceful demonstrations for independence.

The invasion and subsequent massacre, which resulted in over 130 killed, 611 injured, and 841 arrests, is remembered as "Black January" in the Republic of Azerbaijan today and has left an indelible mark on that nation's memory.

It was the overt oppression of innocent people by the Soviet government that further inspired the Azerbaijani people to regain its independence after 70 years of foreign rule.

Less than two years later, on October 18, 1991, Azerbaijan gained its independence from the Soviet Union and was soon recognized by the international community.

Today, the United States and Azerbaijan enjoy a close and important relationship, built on trust, understanding, and mutual support. It is important on this day that America remembers the trials and tribulations our friends in Azerbaijan have had to endure for the cause of freedom and continue to support their vital role as a beacon of democracy and prosperity in the Caspian Region.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to please join me in remembering the tragic events of Black January and honor those who gave their lives in order to give birth to their country.

HONORING ANDERSON HOUSE FOR ITS PUBLIC SERVICE

HON. LEONARD LANCE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 4, 2013

Mr. LANCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Anderson House for two decades of public service. Anderson House has been a resource for women in need in Hunterdon County. It has a record of accomplishment for

which the organization should be very proud. It has selflessly played a role in lives of countless women and I thank Anderson House for its public service.

Anderson House offers the best in comprehensive care that treats all aspects of the disease of addiction. It offers physical, psychological, emotional and spiritual treatment to provide the top care to those who need it most. The outstanding staff and volunteers help those suffering from addiction obtain the tools necessary to become drug-free, to rejoin their awaiting families and to reenter the community.

I thank all members of the Anderson House family for their fine work. They have made a difference in the lives of many women and those who receive their excellent care will forever remember the fine service and dedication of Anderson House.

I also wish to praise the following honorees for their fine work: Janet Schmidling, Marfy Goodspeed, Dr. Boris Iovovich, and the late Kay Applegate.

I again thank these public servants.

IN RECOGNITION OF ST. JAMES' CHURCH AND BEATRIZ OESTERHELD

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 4, 2013

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate St. James' Church and Beatriz Oesterheld as they are honored by the Long Branch Concordance at their "Success Starts at Home" fundraiser. The work St. James' Church and Beatriz Oesterheld do for their community is truly deserving of this recognition.

Celebrating its 100th anniversary at its current location, which also now houses the Long Branch Concordance Family Success Center, St. James' Church has continued to grow and provide spiritual guidance to the community of Long Branch. St. James' Church was founded in the mid-1850s in response to the need for Episcopal worship services for summer visitors and residents. Since that time, St. James' Church has expanded to include an educational room, choir room, meeting room and many other facilities for the congregation and community at large. The church also houses St. Brigid's Pantry and Kitchen, which provides food and other items to those in need and has been especially helpful to residents in the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy. St. James' Church provides faith, fellowship and solace to its parish and the community.

As Executive Director of the Community Affairs and Resource Center, Beatriz Oesterheld works to ensure all those in need receive assistance. The Community Affairs and Resource Center provides services to Monmouth County residents despite of their language and ethnic background. Ms. Oesterheld is also an outreach coordinator at the Monmouth Family Health Center and an advocate for lead screening and treatment for children. Ms. Oesterheld's work helps advance the well-being of the community.

The Long Branch Concordance is a resource center that provides services, information and support to the community. It works