

Preceded in death by parents, Robert E. and Mary Jane Heltzel Sr. as well as his brother Mark E. Heltzel, Paul will continue to live on through the lives he has touched. Paul is survived by his wife of 30 years, Rosemary Heltzel; his sons, Ryan, Michael, Robert, and Paul; his siblings, Robert E. Heltzel Jr., Lawrence, Carl, Mary Jo, and D. Michael; five grandchildren Rae, Desmond, Theo, Christopher, and Michael Duke as well as 12 nieces and nephews. It gives me great pride to honor the life of Paul Heltzel. I am deeply saddened and I extend my condolences to his entire family. His sound and straightforward advice will be missed by me and my entire staff. Our county is a much better place because of Paul's service. He and his contributions to our community will never be forgotten.

HONORING MS. BERTHA SEPULVEDA

HON. ED PASTOR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 23, 2014

Mr. PASTOR of Arizona. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Bertha Sepulveda for the honor she is receiving from the National Association of Hispanic Nurses and for her work in serving our community.

I first met Ms. Sepulveda when she was my sister's roommate at Arizona State University, and I observed her dedication firsthand when she worked for Maricopa Integrated Health Systems (MIHS) and I was on the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors.

Ms. Sepulveda's leadership and community service career spans over four decades and includes her work as co-founder and President of the National Association of Hispanic Nurses, Valle del Sol-Phoenix Chapter, as well as her role as co-founder of the Mesa Association of Hispanic Citizens in Mesa, AZ. In tribute to Ms. Sepulveda, for this and for her many years of selfless dedication to improving the health and well being of our community, an annual scholarship is being established in her honor by the National Hispanic Nurses Association. This scholarship will be known as The Bertha Sepulveda Community Service Scholarship and will be awarded to students who show exceptional community involvement, continuing her passion and legacy of serving our community.

Early in her career, Ms. Sepulveda served in the United States Air Force, and the Arizona National Guard as a Flight Nurse and First Lieutenant. It was during her service that she developed strong leadership skills as she provided nursing care to patients in the Air Force, in the United States, and abroad.

As Senior Vice-President for Marketing and Business Development MIHS, Ms. Sepulveda led strategic planning and outreach, including development of a strong network of community partnerships. During her career at MIHS, she also held the position of Director of Ambulatory Care, where she managed 13 outpatient health centers in Maricopa County and all outpatient clinics at Maricopa Medical Center.

Ms. Sepulveda retired from MIHS in 1997, after 28 years of service and dedication. She went on to give six more years of service as Director of Special Projects with Mesa Community College. Ms. Sepulveda has worked as

a Public Health Nurse, Outpatient Nurse, Administrator, Senior Executive, Leader, Mentor and Educator. It is without a doubt that Ms. Sepulveda has had a great impact on the health care of the Hispanic community and the uninsured.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in acknowledging Ms. Bertha Sepulveda for receiving this recognition from the National Hispanic Nurses Association in honor of the program development and community service she has performed during her long career, and for her contributions to the health and well being of the Hispanic community in Arizona.

HONORING MR. BILL ALLEN

HON. SCOTT DESJARLAIS

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 23, 2014

Mr. DESJARLAIS. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to honor a courageous American and proud son of Tennessee, U.S. Navy medic Bill Allen.

On June 7, 1944, during the Allied invasion of German occupied France, Bill Allen was a Navy medic aboard Coast Guard LST 523. His unit was tasked with ferrying dead and wounded American soldiers from the beaches of Normandy back to England, under heavy enemy fire in turbulent waters. 19-year-old Allen was assigned to the unimaginable job of "death detail."

On their 4th trip back into the fray, the ship hit a submerged mine which split the boat in half. As the boat sank beneath him, Mr. Allen narrowly made the leap to a life raft where he helped rescue other soldiers from certain death. Only 28 of the 145-member crew survived.

After the War, Mr. Allen moved back to Murfreesboro, Tennessee and worked at the Murfreesboro Electric Department for 32 years. He resides in Murfreesboro today, with his wife of 58 years, and continues to serve the local community as a funeral assistant at Woodfin Memorial Chapel.

I would like to recognize Mr. Allen on behalf of Tennessee's Fourth Congressional District. We are grateful for your service.

HONORING LAURA SCHER

HON. THEODORE E. DEUTCH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 23, 2014

Mr. DEUTCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Laura Scher of Delray Beach, who turns 90 years old on August 2, 2014.

Laura Frankel Scher was born on August 2, 1924 in Brooklyn, New York, to Jewish immigrant parents. Along with her three siblings, she was raised to understand the value of hard work and education. After her high school graduation Laura began working as a legal secretary and married Seymour Roy Scher in 1944. Laura and Roy soon welcomed three daughters to their family—Carol, Judy, and Sandy—and raised them in East Meadow, Long Island. After a successful career working as the Executive Assistant to the president of Hofstra University, she retired and moved with

Roy to Florida in 1986. Today, Laura lives in Abbey Delray South, a community where she has had the opportunity to be involved in some of her favorite hobbies, including gardening and painting, and enjoy the fruits of a full and wonderful life.

Laura is truly an exceptional woman whom I am proud to represent in Florida's 21st District. I join her friends and family in celebrating this wonderful milestone, and I wish her good health and continued success in the coming year.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 23, 2014

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, on Tuesday, July 22, I missed a series of rollcall votes. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on No. 433 and No. 434 and I would have voted "nay" on No. 435 and No. 436.

CONGRATULATING THE BUCKS COUNTY PLAYHOUSE ON ITS 75TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 23, 2014

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, the Bucks County Playhouse—located along the banks of the Delaware River in New Hope—has been a community icon in my district for generations.

Built inside a historic former mill by a group of artists and community leaders, the Bucks County Playhouse officially opened on July 1, 1939 with a production of the comedy Springtime for Henry.

In the 75 years since its opening, the Playhouse has played host to some of the biggest names in stage and screen; and entertained families from across my district and around the region. Thanks to the resolute support of volunteers and non-profits, the theater was pulled through tough times and beautifully renovated and re-opened in 2012.

The Playhouse's mission is to "stimulate, support, inspire and celebrate the performing arts in New Hope and Bucks County"—a goal worth fighting for and one made easier by their continued involvement in the arts in my district.

This year we celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Bucks County Playhouse and join the New Hope community, Bucks County and all theater lovers in wishing it another 75 years of continued success and entertainment.

HONORING LESLIE WOODY

HON. CORY GARDNER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 23, 2014

Mr. GARDNER. Mr. Speaker, Abecedarium. A-b-e-c-e-d-a-r-i-u-m. Abecedarium.

It was 1985 and I was in the fifth grade at Yuma Middle School. Back then, the school

held the fourth through eighth grades under one roof. As a fifth grader, we weren't the new kids any more, getting used to a new school. And we certainly weren't the oldest or the coolest. We weren't in junior high and we didn't get outdoor camp like the sixth graders. We were in sort of a "tweener" grade for a tweener age—long before any of us knew there was any such thing as a tween.

But what we lacked in age rights or age slights, we made up for in our teacher, Leslie Woody. With a Bachelor's degree from Colorado College, Mrs. Woody began her teaching career in 1980, and after 34 years in the Yuma School District RJ-1 (and a Master's degree along the way), retired this year. It's hard to believe that anyone can stay in the same workplace for 34 years; today, the average length of a job is just under 5 years. But for the hundreds of kids who were lucky enough to call her our teacher, we are very glad (and blessed) that she did. It's hard to believe she had only been teaching for 5 years when she met the motley class of 1993!

She taught us to be happy (it's hard to do!). Positive about life. To surprise people with optimism.

And she was the Superspeller's super coach. I couldn't spell bupkis (sp?) without her. She taught us to compete, to excel, and not be afraid. To work hard and study. We made it to the district, regional, and state spelling bees. We got crushed by the students from St. Mary's, but we made it nonetheless. We gained confidence that only comes from hard work and perseverance and hours of practice. Perhaps the most important thing, and her secret lesson plan all along, was that Mrs. Woody taught us the lesson of how to learn.

Our daughter is entering fifth grade this year. And while Mrs. Woody will not be teaching her, there are other great teachers who will shape her young life the way Mrs. Woody shaped ours, something Jaime and I are certainly grateful for. But no one can ever replace the special place for a special teacher who helped make someone—who helped make me—who they are today.

For your years of service to our children and the future, and for the impact you had on my life, thank you. Please accept this recognition from one member of the United States House of Representatives and your student, knowing you made a difference.

Thank you. T-h-a-n-k y-o-u. Thank you.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BILL FLORES

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 23, 2014

Mr. FLORES. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall 433 I inadvertently voted "nay" when I intended to vote "yea." I would like to make it clear that I support H.R. 4450, the Travel Promotion, Enhancement, and Modernization Act of 2014.

HONORING KILLEEN, TEXAS DETECTIVE CHARLES DINWIDDIE

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 23, 2014

Mr. CARTER. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise to honor the life and service of Killeen, TX Detective Charles Dinwiddie who was tragically killed in the line of duty in May. His loss is a sobering reminder of the bravery and sacrifice of our nation's law enforcement officers.

Detective Dinwiddie was born in Frankfurt, Germany but grew up in Harker Heights, TX. He shouldered many responsibilities during his 18 years with the Killeen Police Department: Patrol Division, Criminal Investigation Division, SWAT, and more. Detective Dinwiddie, a mentor and role model to other officers, was relied upon to conduct the most difficult and complex investigations.

As a former judge, I know firsthand the essential role police officers play in maintaining law and order and the risks they face every time they report for duty. These brave men and women awake each day uncertain of what dangers await. Yet they carry on, strengthened by their resolve to protect and serve. Police officers, be they big city beat cops or small town sheriffs, help preserve our way of life and guard us from those lost souls who wish harm to others.

While Detective Dinwiddie's watch has ended, his legacy and the commitment of all who wear the badge live on. My thoughts and prayers are with his wife, family, friends, and the entire Killeen community. Let us all honor and remember a man who gave his life to protect his fellow citizens.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GARY C. PETERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 23, 2014

Mr. PETERS of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, on Tuesday, July 22, 2014 I was not present for 4 votes. I wish the record to reflect my intentions had I been present to vote.

Had I been present for rollcall No. 433, I would have voted "yea."

Had I been present for rollcall No. 434, I would have voted "yea."

Had I been present for rollcall No. 435, I would have voted "yea."

Had I been present for rollcall No. 436, I would have voted "yea."

IN RECOGNITION OF ROBERT KILPATRICK

HON. DUNCAN HUNTER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 23, 2014

Mr. HUNTER. Mr. Speaker, within this great institution, we often honor notable Americans who dedicate themselves, whether personally or professionally, to serving this nation and strengthening its core. I am honored today to

continue this tradition and pay tribute to Robert Kilpatrick, who recently retired after many good years as President and General Manager of BAE Systems, San Diego Ship Repair.

Robert was no stranger to shipyards—notching more than 30 years of experience in an industry that is critical to both America's global security and competitiveness. He started with the company in 1981, when he joined what is now BAE Systems San Francisco Ship Repair as an Electrical Estimator for shipboard communication and power installations. In the years that followed, Robert held various positions within the company and in January 2004, he was promoted to President and General Manager. Ask anyone who knows Robert and they'll tell you he's a proven leader with authentic talent and skills.

Mr. Speaker, I have always believed that a strong Navy and sealift capability is the foundation of our nation. As a Marine, I never floated, meaning I never went out to sea, but you don't have to be on a vessel or part of an ocean crew to appreciate the value and the power of a steel-clad ship that is capable of sailing the world. The ingenuity and know-how required to build and maintain these vessels is a national asset—and so too are the men and women who work in America's shipyards. Robert's experience and leadership has been invaluable and surely his mentorship will be no less influential for the future of San Diego Ship Repair.

I want to congratulate Robert on his retirement and wish him happiness in the years to come. I also want to recognize Robert's wife of 26 years, Michele, and his two sons, Keith and Kyle. Surely, they are proud of Robert for an honorable and distinguished career. And, on behalf of this body, we are thankful for his service and wish him all the best as he enjoys his retirement.

RECOGNIZING DUY BUI AND DIVERSE SCHOLARS FORUM

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 23, 2014

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Duy Bui, a constituent of mine from Carrollton, Texas, who is a rising junior at the University of Texas at Dallas, majoring in biochemistry, and a recipient of the United Health Foundation Diverse Scholars Initiative scholarship. This week, Duy will be in Washington, DC participating in the Diverse Scholars Forum, during which time he will have a unique opportunity to interact with experts in various health care fields, engage with policy-makers, and network with his peers. Additionally, he will spend an afternoon here on Capitol Hill to participate in an activity to examine some of the nation's most pressing health care problems and discuss proposed solutions. Beyond his significant academic achievements and his goal to become a physician to change the way health care is administered and communicated, Duy has spent a significant amount of time giving back to his community.

I would like to extend my sincere appreciation for Duy's dedication to making the health care system more enriched by professionals with varied perspectives and backgrounds. His