

In 1996, Peter was appointed Provost, the University's chief academic officer. The hallmarks of his tenure have been a multiplication of interdisciplinary programs and the internationalization of the University as a whole. He has overseen establishment of programs and initiatives—such as DukeEngage, the institution's Africa Initiative, and the Institute of Global Health—that connect faculty from different disciplines to collaborate on real-world problems, and then use that knowledge to serve society and enhance both the undergraduate and graduate educational experiences. As University President Richard Brodhead said, his impact has been deep and has extended throughout university life.

As Provost, Dr. Lange has twice overseen the development of University strategic plans, shaped resource development and allocation to best serve the University's intellectual priorities, and remained engaged on admissions, financial aid, information technology, and other facets of university life. Dr. Lange has appointed all of Duke University's current deans, as well as two-thirds of current faculty members. His vision, persistence, and administrative skill have contributed greatly to Duke's status as a world class institution.

Mr. Speaker, Peter Lange has dedicated his life to expanding intellectual horizons and the University's realms of service. The students, faculty, and staff of Duke University have benefitted immeasurably from his leadership, vision, and boundless energy. As his time as Provost comes to a close, I want to thank him for his exemplary service and congratulate him for a long and impactful career.

IN HONOR OF ANDREA STILLMAN

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 2, 2014

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, this year the people of Connecticut's 20th Senate district fondly say goodbye to longtime State Senator Andrea Stillman, who is retiring from office after almost 22 years of service to her community. Known both as a champion of education and a mentor to her peers, her role in influencing both young minds and fellow legislators has left a legacy to Connecticut for years to come.

Andrea's career has been marked by determination and an ability to defy expectations. First elected to the Connecticut House of Representatives from the 38th district in 1992, she

faced the daunting task of replacing another long-time public servant in Janet Polinsky, yet never backed down from the challenge. This past winter, despite health concerns that many of her colleagues expected to sideline her, Andrea persevered and continued serving her constituents in the State Senate.

In 2012, Andrea designed numerous public education reforms which will help close the achievement gap in our state, and vastly improve education from the pre-k through elementary years. Senator Stillman was also appointed by the commissioner of the State Department of Education to represent Connecticut on the New England Secondary School Consortium. Just recently, Andrea helped secure a grant for New London's Garde Arts Center that will help grow the theatre to include the New London Magnet School of Visual and Performing Arts—a critical component of New London's school system. For these efforts and countless others over the course of her career, Andrea was honored by the Connecticut Association of Public School Superintendents with their 2014 Legislator Award.

Beyond education, Andrea championed local initiatives large and small to improve her community. In 2004, Andrea stood by residents of East Lyme to help preserve the Oswegatchie Hills from development, and in 2007 she co-chaired a panel of legislators that helped block a proposal to build a floating liquid natural gas platform in Long Island Sound. For years, she has been vocal in seeking to improve the transportation infrastructure of Southeastern Connecticut, pursuing the continued construction of Route 11, and holding Amtrak and Shoreline East officials accountable for the quality of services provided on local rails.

Andrea's colleagues in the state legislature will remember her leadership, her collegiality, and her deep dedication to her constituents. Sporting nicknames like the "Iron Lady of Southeastern Connecticut," the "Matriarch" and the "Den Mother" of the State Senate, it is obvious how highly regarded she is by all those whom she works with. In an era of negative politics, her colleagues have lauded her as a role model for respectful dialogue on the Senate floor.

I want to wish Andrea the most sincere of congratulations on a singular career of public service, and the best of luck in everything the future holds for her. I know she will find many more ways to contribute to the lives of residents throughout Connecticut. I ask my colleagues to please join me in recognizing Andrea's efforts.

HONORING DONALD L. SCHWARZ

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 2, 2014

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Donald L. Schwarz for his work with the Military and Veterans Appreciation Trust Foundation (MVAT). Mr. Schwarz has worked tirelessly to raise funds to assist veterans, wounded warriors and their families as well as increase awareness of veterans' issues. Mr. Schwarz's leadership and commitment to MVAT is admirable and it is therefore fitting that we honor and recognize him today.

Mr. Schwarz was born and grew up in Los Angeles, California. He attended California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, where he received a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture. After serving our country in the U.S. Armed Forces, Mr. Schwarz began a career in the securities and investment industry where he continues to work today.

In addition to his professional career, Mr. Schwarz has been a constant advocate for the veteran community. During his time as Chairman of MVAT, Mr. Schwarz has directed efforts to support Pathway Home in Yountville, California, which serves members of the active duty military and veterans who suffer from post-combat mental health challenges. Mr. Schwarz also volunteers his time to fifteen other charities that all strive to help our military and veterans and is an active participant in non-profit organizations that provide guidance to policymakers in the area of national security. He sits on the President's Executive Council of the Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation and the Board of Governors of the City of Hope Cancer and Medical Center. Mr. Schwarz is also a board member of the American Committee for the Weizmann Institute of Science and is a member of the Jewish Institute for National Security Affairs' Board of Directors.

Mr. Speaker, it is appropriate at this time that we honor and thank Mr. Schwarz for his invaluable service to Napa County's veterans, their dependents, and survivors. Donald Schwarz's unyielding dedication to raising funds and awareness for our veterans and guiding our policymakers is greatly appreciated by the entire Napa community and we wish him further success in an already distinguished career.

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 Tuesday, June 3, 2014 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JUNE 4

- 10 a.m.
Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Department of Defense
To hold closed hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2015 for National and Military Intelligence Programs. SVC-217
- Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection
To hold hearings to examine student loan servicing, focusing on the borrower's experience. SD-538
- Committee on the Budget
To hold hearings to examine the impact of student loan debt on borrowers and the economy. SD-608
- Committee on Environment and Public Works
To hold hearings to examine the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) implementation of the Fukushima Near-Term Task Force recommendations and other actions to enhance and maintain nuclear safety. SD-406
- 10:30 a.m.
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
To hold hearings to examine evaluating port security, focusing on progress made and challenges ahead. SD-342
- Committee on the Judiciary
To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Geoffrey W. Crawford, to be

United States District Judge for the District of Vermont, and Nancy B. Firestone, of Virginia, Lydia Kay Griggsby, of Maryland, and Thomas L. Halkowski, of Pennsylvania, all to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims. SD-226

- 2:30 p.m.
Committee on the Judiciary
Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology and the Law
To hold hearings to examine the "Location Privacy Protection Act of 2014". SD-226

- 3 p.m.
Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship
To hold hearings to examine military service to small business owner, focusing on supporting America's veteran entrepreneurs. SR-428A

JUNE 5

- 9:30 a.m.
Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet
To hold hearings to examine preserving public safety and network reliability in the Internet Protocol (IP) transition. SR-253

- 10 a.m.
Committee on Appropriations
Business meeting to markup proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2015 for Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, and Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies. SD-106

- Committee on Foreign Relations
To hold hearings to examine developments in Ukraine. SD-419

- Committee on Veterans' Affairs
To hold hearings to examine pending legislation. SH-216

- 2:30 p.m.
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Subcommittee on Emergency Management, Intergovernmental Relations, and the District of Columbia
To hold hearings to examine wildfires, focusing on assessing first responder training and capabilities. SD-342

- Select Committee on Intelligence
To hold hearings to examine certain intelligence matters. SD-G50

JUNE 9

- 3:30 p.m.
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
To hold hearings to examine border security, focusing on the implications of S. 1691, to amend title 5, United States Code, to improve the security of the

United States border and to provide for reforms and rates of pay for border patrol agents. SD-342

JUNE 10

- 10 a.m.
Committee on Armed Services
To receive a closed briefing on the Sergeant Bowe Bergdahl prisoner exchange. SVC-217

JUNE 11

- 10 a.m.
Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe
To hold hearings to examine the security, economic and human rights dimensions of United States-Azerbaijan relations. SR-432

- 2:30 p.m.
Committee on Indian Affairs
To hold an oversight hearing to examine Indian education, focusing on higher education for American Indian students. SD-628

JUNE 18

- 2:30 p.m.
Committee on Indian Affairs
To hold hearings to examine S. 1948, to promote the academic achievement of American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian children with the establishment of a Native American language grant program, S. 1998, to amend the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act to reserve funds for American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, and Tribal College or University adult education and literacy, and S. 2299, to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to reauthorize a provision to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages. SD-628

JUNE 19

- 9:30 a.m.
Committee on Armed Services
To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Laura Junor, of Virginia, to be a Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, Gordon O. Tanner, of Alabama, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force, Debra S. Wada, of Hawaii, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, and Miranda A. A. Ballentine, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations, Environment, and Energy, all of the Department of Defense, and Monica C. Regalbutto, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environmental Management. SH-216