

## HONORING MRS. CAROLYN FISH

**HON. NITA M. LOWEY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mrs. Carolyn Fish, who has spent her life as a vocal advocate for women in Rockland County, New York.

Carolyn's activism began in the 1970s when she attended an early planning meeting for the Rockland County Chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW). She helped organize Rockland NOW's first conference at Rockland Community College, a pivotal moment in the growth of the women's rights movement in the county. Following the conference Carolyn continued to organize and plan events highlighting women's issues, eventually becoming vice president of Rockland NOW in 1977.

Since 1978 Carolyn has been the Executive Director of the Rockland Family Shelter (RFS), leading its growth from a small shelter to a full-service violence and sexual assault agency. The shelter provides residential and non-residential services that encompass all the needs of survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. Under her leadership, RFS has focused on addressing oppression and integrating awareness of racism and sexism to better meet the needs of the women and children RFS serves.

During her tenure RFS has received numerous awards, including the Eleanor Roosevelt Award for Community Service in 1985, the Distinguished Housing Award from the State of New York in 1986, and the Pinnacle Award for Outstanding Achievement by a Non-Profit Organization from the Rockland Business Association in 2004.

Carolyn has also lectured throughout the nation on the causes and effects of domestic violence and has served on a statewide task force to develop the New York State Domestic Violence Policies for Counties, the New York State Crime Victims' Board Advisory Council, and the New York State Coalition Against Domestic Violence. For her hard work and dedication, she has received numerous awards and honors, including the Outstanding Victim Advocate Award from the New York State Crime Victims Board in 1999, and a Women of Distinction Award from the New York State Senate, also in 1999.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mrs. Carolyn Fish for her lifetime of work on behalf of women in Rockland County, New York, and across the country. I urge my colleagues to join me in applauding her achievements.

## HONORING THE LIFE OF DR. THOMAS S. FOSTER

**HON. ANDY BARR**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commemorate the life of a very special man from Lexington, Kentucky. Dr. Thomas S. Foster was a pharmacy educator and a pioneer in pharmacology research.

Dr. Foster earned his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Kentucky's Col-

lege of Pharmacy in 1973. He had a long and successful career at the University of Kentucky. Dr. Foster served as a Professor of Pharmacy, where he inspired generations of pharmacy students who have gone on to be successful in their profession. He motivated students to achieve more than they thought possible. Dr. Foster's clinical pharmacy research involved investigational drugs and drug administration systems. His research efforts led to the development of numerous products that improved the health of Americans and others around the world.

Dr. Foster served in many professional organizations, including the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, the American Pharmacists Association, and the United States Pharmacopeial Convention. Foster chaired Kentucky's Drug Formulary Council, the Drug Management Review Board, and the Kentucky Board of Pharmacy. He was a consultant to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration as well as the Office of Human Research Protection of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. He was elected to fellowship in the American Pharmacists Association, the American College of Clinical Pharmacology, and the American College of Clinical Pharmacology.

Dr. Foster and his wife Marijo had a daughter, a son, and six grandchildren. Dr. Foster contributed greatly to the pharmacy profession. He loved his work and left a legacy of education and research. The many accomplishments of Dr. Thomas S. Foster are renowned and he will be greatly missed.

## TRIBUTE TO THE HONOR FLIGHT OF OREGON

**HON. GREG WALDEN**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mr. WALDEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the 27 World War II veterans from Oregon who will be visiting their memorial this Saturday in Washington, D.C. through Honor Flight of Oregon. On behalf of a grateful state and country, we welcome these heroes to our nation's capital.

The veterans on this flight from Oregon are as follows: Robert E. Corey, Army; Robert P. Hamilton, Army; Edward N. Kaser Jr., Army; Fred A. Puckett, Army; Harold V. Werner, Army; Victor T. Zeller, Army; Harold F. Barger, Army Air Forces; Perry L. Peterson, Army Air Forces; Edgar F. Pomeroy, Army Air Forces; John L. Weakland, Army Air Forces; Fred H. Thornberg, Coast Guard; James O. Catt, Navy; Charles W. Filipowicz, Navy; Frederick L. Hisaw, Navy; John F. Martin Jr., Navy; Alva Q. Mizer, Navy; Marshall E. Scott, Navy; John F. Spring, Navy; Joseph M. Stone, Navy; Martin G. Tonissen, Navy; Dean M. Wilcox, Navy; Donald A. Yeamans, Navy; Mary R. Yeamans, Navy; S. Tony Zarbano, Navy; Jack R. Merkle, Marine Corps; Charles F. Paul, Marine Corps; and William E. Robinson, Marine Corps.

These 27 heroes join the estimated 20,000–25,000 veterans who will travel to Washington DC from their home states in 2015, adding to the 138,800 veterans who have been honored through the Honor Flight Network of volunteers nationwide since 2005.

I would also like to recognize the twelve escorts traveling on this trip who have also

served our country: Steven N. Barger, Army; William L. Daniels, Army; Lloyd Frasier, Army; Anthony L. Zarbano, Army; John D. Filipowicz, Coast Guard; Aaron L. Tonissen, Coast Guard; Jeffrey H. Weakland, Marine Corps; Edwin A. Montgomery, National Guard; Allan A. Auge, Navy; Robert L. Hamilton, Navy; Daniel M. Lowe, Navy; and Robert E. Walker, Navy.

Mr. Speaker, each of us is humbled by the courage of these brave Americans who put themselves in harm's way for our country and way of life. As a nation, we can never fully repay the debt of gratitude owed to them for their honor, commitment, and sacrifice in defense of the freedoms we have today.

My colleagues, please join me in thanking these veterans and the volunteers of Honor Flight of Oregon for their exemplary dedication and service to this great country.

## CONGRATULATING CARLISLE BELTS ON THE SALE OF ITS ONE BILLIONTH POWER TRANSMISSION BELT

**HON. BILLY LONG**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate auto part manufacturer, Carlisle Belts of Springfield, Missouri, on reaching the milestone sale of its one billionth power transmission belt.

As a staple of Springfield since 1959, this is not only a triumph for Carlisle, but for the entire community. Each of its belts is American made and represents a dedicated team of engineers, technicians, and craftsmen that take pride in their product. This rare achievement represents the sound efficiency of Carlisle employees through more than five decades, and is an example of exemplary hard work—commonplace among the people of southwest Missouri.

On September 26th, Carlisle will celebrate this momentous occasion with festivities for workers—current and retired—and their families. It is my pleasure to help recognize Carlisle for this great achievement and wish its workers a joyous and well-earned celebration of their success. By creating jobs, delivering top-class products, and exhibiting exemplary work ethic for more than 50 years, Carlisle and its manufacturing team have made southwest Missouri a better place to live. It makes me proud to serve them, and all of Missouri's Seventh Congressional District.

## CELEBRATING NANCY BOSTON

**HON. JOHN R. CARTER**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the vision, leadership, and quarter century of political activism of Nancy Boston of Bell County, TX. Her dedication to both her nation and her Party are no small part of the reason the Lone Star State is friendly territory for Republicans.

Political parties thrive off the efforts of dedicated volunteers and individuals who take time

from their busy lives to devote themselves to a larger cause. It's rarely glamorous work. Party soldiers stuff envelopes, walk door-to-door for candidates, and devote long hours in the most elemental parts of the electoral process. Through the years, Nancy has never shied away from this hard work and was always ready to help.

Like many Republicans, Nancy's political fires we're ignited during Barry Goldwater's 1964 presidential campaign. But it was during the aftermath of Watergate that Nancy took her committed activism to a new level by becoming a part of the Central Texas Republican Women's Club where she wore many hats and became an indispensable part of that critical organization. Over the years, she's provided excellent service in a variety of elected and appointed positions. Elected Chair of the Bell County Republican Party in 1990, Nancy has shepherded that organization into a position of prominence in both Texas and the Nation.

Nancy has been a mentor and role model to other activists and leads the Party with dedication, honesty, and integrity. Her wisdom and experience have been relied upon countless times and she's always been a source of sound guidance and leadership.

Some people live an entire lifetime and wonder if they have made a difference in the world; Nancy Boston doesn't have that problem. I join her family, friends, and colleagues in saluting her great work and wish her nothing but the best in the years ahead.

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#### TRIBUTE TO FLORENCE NOLTE

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#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Florence Nolte on the celebration of her 100th birthday. Ms. Nolte celebrated her 100th birthday on July 17th, 2015 in Stuart, Iowa.

Our world has changed a great deal during the course of Ms. Nolte's life. Since her birth, we have revolutionized air travel and walked on the moon. We have invented the television, cellular phones, and the internet. We have fought in wars overseas, seen the rise and fall of Soviet Communism and witnessed the birth of new democracies. Ms. Nolte has lived through seventeen United States Presidents and twenty-four Governors of Iowa. In her lifetime, the population of the United States has more than tripled.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent Ms. Nolte in the United States Congress and it is my pleasure to wish her a very happy 100th birthday. I invite my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Ms. Nolte on reaching this incredible milestone, and wishing her continued health and happiness in the years to come.

#### OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

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#### HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$18,151,061,535,754.50. We've added \$7,524,184,486,841.42 to our debt in 6 years. This is over \$7.5 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

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#### HONORING MEMORIAL TABERNACLE CHURCH

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#### HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Memorial Tabernacle Church, located in Oakland, California upon its 90th Anniversary as a strong religious pillar in the East Bay community.

Memorial Tabernacle Church was founded in 1925 by Bishop Judge & Sarah King, a married couple from Louisiana. They moved to California in search of a better life, free from prejudice. The church was established in a two-story house on Seventh Street in West Oakland. Despite the area's reputation, Bishop Judge and Sarah preached in all areas of the community, including street corners and in front of bars.

To accommodate their growing numbers, the congregation moved to a larger building in West Oakland. But in 1960, the United States Postal Service purchased several blocks of land and property on Seventh Street to build the main Post Office before finally moving to their current home in North Oakland.

Following the passing of Bishop Judge in 1945, his son, Bishop Ulysses S. King was named senior pastor. Bishop Ulysses was active in the community. He was a member of the Center for Urban Black Studies, an affiliate center of the Graduate Theological Union. He later received an honorary Doctor of Divinity. In 1972, Bishop Ulysses took the message of salvation to the cities of Lagos and Uyo, Nigeria. In 1976, Bishop Ulysses helped establish an affiliate church in Uyo.

Now under the leadership of Pastor Stephen King, Memorial Tabernacle Church has continued to thrive through its various ministries in the East Bay community. The church facilitates programs such as the Embracing Our Community, Health Ministry, and Community Garden Ministry. All of these programs are responsible for maintaining contact with the community and working to serve those in need.

Memorial Tabernacle Church also hosts ministries for groups of all ages and areas of need. The Young People Ministry helps educate the young people about God's Word and how to better serve their community. The Music Ministry guides people in expressing praise, prayer, and gratitude to God via musical instruments, singing hymns, guest musicians and soloists.

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On behalf of the residents of California's 13th Congressional District, I extend my sincerest congratulations to Memorial Tabernacle Church on the special occasion of its 90th anniversary. I wish Memorial Tabernacle Church many more years of faithful and compassionate service.

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#### TRIBUTE TO MIKE DAILEY

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#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mike Dailey, principal at Southeast Polk Junior High School for receiving the 2015 ITAG (Iowa Talented and Gifted) Administrator of the Year award.

This honor is awarded annually to recognize an Iowa building-level or district office administrator who supports and advances ITAG's mission in his/her school district. The organization's mission is to "recognize, support, and respect the unique and diverse needs of talented and gifted learners through advocacy, education, and networking."

Mike was nominated for this award by Laurie Wyatt, Southeast Polk's Learning Supports Coordinator. Ms. Wyatt cited Mike's support of gifted junior high students, which is reflected in his willingness to collaborate and cooperate with other staff. He has also been a driving force behind the growth in his building's Iowa Assessment scores.

Mike's tireless dedication to all junior high students is highly valued by Southeast Polk. His efforts exemplify the district's priority of high academic achievement, and its vision to help students reach success in college, career, and civic life.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud and congratulate Mike for this award and for providing the youth in Iowa's 3rd Congressional District the education that they will need to be successful in the future. I am proud to represent him, his family and his fellow teachers and students in the United States Congress. I know that my colleagues join me in congratulating Mike and wishing him nothing but continued success.

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#### HONORING VFW POST 1294, COMMANDER EDDIE BRAY, AND THE LADIES AUXILIARY

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#### HON. MARSHA BLACKBURN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Mr. Speaker, people who serve their country in the military without regard for their own safety to safeguard our way of life are truly heroes. Some of these heroes come home to continue to serve their neighbors, their communities and fellow veterans. Today I am pleased to congratulate and honor a group of these great heroes.

To the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1294, Commander Eddie Bray, and the Ladies Auxiliary: I am amazed at your accomplishments and pleased that you have been recognized