

invaluable contributions to our success during the Second World War.

**CONGRATULATING AND HONORING
ALAN NAKANISHI**
HON. JEFF DENHAM
OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, December 7, 2015

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and honor Mr. Alan Nakanishi for receiving the Lodi Distinguished Citizen Award from the Greater Yosemite Council, and the Boy Scouts of America. I would also like to personally thank him for his years of service working to better the city of Lodi and the state of California.

Raised in California's state capitol, Sacramento, Alan attended Lincoln School and Jr. High School. In 8th grade, he joined the Boy Scouts of America where he learned many valuable life lessons including always being prepared. Alan successfully reached the rank of First Class and desired to become an Eagle Scout; however, he chose to be involved in sports instead. With much respect for the Boy Scouts of America program, Alan still actively participates by being a speaker for several clubs.

After receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree from Pacific Union College in 1961, Alan continued on to study at the Loma Linda University graduating in 1965 with his Medical Degree. He completed both his medical internship and Ophthalmology Residency from the University of Southern California Medical Center. He later received his Masters of Health Administration from the Virginia Commonwealth University and the Medical College of Virginia in 1990 and 1991.

During Alan's early life, he served as a Captain in the United States Army where he was stationed in Texas. After earning his medical degree he served another two years as Major and led the surgical department as Chief of Ophthalmology for the McDonald Army Hospital in Fort Eustis, Virginia.

Alan Nakanishi had many extensive roles during his medical career including Chief of Ophthalmology, Retinal Fellowship at the Pacific Medical Center, Chief of Staff at Dameron Hospital, President of Dameron Hospital, co-founder of Delta Eye Medical Group and a significant member of the American Board of Ophthalmology.

Alan's political career in California has been substantial. In 2001, he was elected to the Lodi City Council and was selected Mayor of Lodi by his fellow Council members. In 2002, Alan was elected to the California State Assembly and was a member of several committees. He served as the vice-chair of Health, Labor and Employment. Alan was also a member of Appropriation, Higher Education, Rural Caucus, and the Legislative Sporting Caucus. His time in Assembly ended in 2008, and in 2010, Alan was elected to rejoin the Lodi City Council. Only two short years later he was selected again to serve as the Mayor of Lodi.

While Alan's accomplishments are outstanding in the work force, it's his community involvement that is tremendous. He served as a Rotarian, church school board member, church officer, member of the county Ground

Basin Authority, alternate member of the Delta Protection Commission, and a member of the Delta Coalition Committee.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring and recognizing Alan for his unwavering leadership and many accomplishments and contributions. He has a great dedication for the people and community he has worked so hard to help.

**OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL
DEBT**

HON. MIKE COFFMAN
OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, December 7, 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 \$18,787,992,446,946.88. We've added \$8,161,115,398,033.80 to our debt in 6 years. This is over \$8 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

**BECAUSE WE ALL NEED MORE
HUMAN CONNECTION: HONORING
THE WORK OF LILLIAN ROYBAL
ROSE**

HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, December 7, 2015

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to my sister, Lillian Roybal Rose, who made a career of leading nationally acclaimed cross-cultural leadership awareness seminars and workshops which fostered greater understanding between people of diverse backgrounds, and helped lay a foundation for a more peaceful multicultural future.

For over 35 years, Lillian taught her workshops to academic, corporate, civic, and community groups. Her ultimate goal was to increase participants' self-awareness and help them establish mutual understanding and respect for others. She did this by creating a safe and supportive environment for participants to learn how internalized oppression affects thinking and attitudes, and how the resulting patterns of behavior affect communication between individuals, within groups, and between groups.

When Lillian developed this workshop in the late 1970s, it turned the then-current diversity training model of "blame and shame" on its head. Her workshops relied on practical theoretical models based on psychology and ethics, and on interactive and experiential activities that allowed participants not merely to engage their minds but to open their hearts.

This workshop approach, coupled with Lillian's ability to see and bring out the best in people, helped participants build powerful frameworks for effective long-term cooperation and communication, and enabled them to reclaim pride in their roots through the exploration of shared experiences.

Lillian understood that the key to appreciating others is developing a better understanding of ourselves. When we can define

and recognize forms of oppression that affect all of us, we can begin to relate to each other as individuals and build alliances.

Over and over again, I have met individuals from across the country who have expressed their gratitude for my sister's work. Those who have participated in her workshops have told me countless times, "She has changed my life and made me a better person."

While my sister is retired and no longer presents her workshops, she has been convinced by many of those same participants to give a farewell presentation. On December 12th and December 13th on the campus of the University of California at Santa Barbara, Lillian will present an encore workshop. People from different parts of the country will again be there to experience Lillian's brilliance, compassion, authenticity, and humility as she takes this final opportunity to share her life's work.

Lillian has said of the people who participated in her workshops, "We gave, and continue to give each other support and hope that we can reach a fair and just society, where all can be treated with dignity and respect, have equal opportunity, and where we can love and celebrate our differences. My love and thank you to all."

Mr. Speaker, I have been blessed to have Lillian as my sister, and I am proud to join Lillian's colleagues and friends for her encore workshop and in honoring her life's work.

HONORING GEORGE H. RYDER

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 7, 2015

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor George H. Ryder, of the Lake County Board of Education, who is retiring after 39 years of dedicated public service.

In 1974, Mr. Ryder joined the Konocti Unified School Board of Trustees, a post he held until 1979. Subsequently, on December 10, 1981, he assumed office as a member of the Lake County Board of Education. In his 34 years on the Board, Mr. Ryder served numerous times as both President and Vice-President, and consistently provided the board with tremendous leadership, unshakeable poise and thoughtful recommendations.

In total, Mr. Ryder has dedicated 39 years of service to the children of Lake County and the surrounding areas. He has demonstrated an unmatched commitment to education, children, and community service, and has touched the lives of countless young people. Mr. Ryder's community has benefitted enormously from his efforts.

Mr. Speaker, George H. Ryder has had a long and uncommonly distinguished career in public service. December 9, 2015 marks his final day as a member of the Lake County Board of Education, and it is fitting and proper that we honor him here today. We wish him the best in retirement.

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, December 8, 2015 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED
DECEMBER 9

Time to be announced

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship
Business meeting to consider the nomination of Darryl L. DePriest, of Illinois, to be Chief Counsel for Advocacy, Small Business Administration.

S-216

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the United States strategy to counter the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant and United States policy toward Iraq and Syria.

SD-106

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine United Nations peacekeeping and opportunities for reform.

SD-419

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Business meeting to consider S. 2171, to reauthorize the Scholarships for Opportunity and Results Act, S. 2127, to provide appropriate protections to probationary Federal employees, to provide the Special Counsel with adequate access to information, to provide greater awareness of Federal whistleblower protections, S. 1915, to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to make anthrax vaccines and antimicrobials available to emergency response providers, S. 1492, to direct the Administrator of General Services, on behalf of the Archivist of the United States, to convey certain Federal property located in the State of Alaska to the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska, H.R. 1557, to amend the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 to strengthen Federal antidiscrimination laws enforced by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and expand accountability within the Federal government, an original bill entitled, "Federal Asset Sale and Transfer Act", an original bill entitled, "Federal Real Property Management Reform Act of 2015", and an original bill entitled, "Administrative Leave Act of 2015".

SD-342

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Business meeting to consider S. 571, to amend the Pilot's Bill of Rights to fa-

cilitate appeals and to apply to other certificates issued by the Federal Aviation Administration, to require the revision of the third class medical certification regulations issued by the Federal Aviation Administration, S. 2276, to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide enhanced safety in pipeline transportation, H.R. 2843, to require certain improvements in the Transportation Security Administration's PreCheck expedited screening program, S. 1886, to reauthorize the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act of 2009, S. 1935, to require the Secretary of Commerce to undertake certain activities to support waterfront community revitalization and resiliency, S. 2058, to require the Secretary of Commerce to maintain and operate at least one Doppler weather radar site within 55 miles of each city in the United States that has a population of more than 700,000 individuals, S. 2319, to amend the Communications Act of 1934, an original bill entitled, "Airport Security Enhancement and Oversight Act", the nomination of Jessica Rosenworcel, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2015 (Reappointment), and routine lists in the Coast Guard.

SR-253

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

SD-226

10:30 a.m.

Committee on the Budget

To hold hearings to examine moving to a stronger economy with a regulatory budget.

SD-608

2 p.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Marcel John Lettre, II, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence, Gabriel Camarillo, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, John E. Sparks, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces for the term of fifteen years to expire on the date prescribed by law, and the following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601: Vice Adm. Kurt W. Tidd, to be Admiral, all of the Department of Defense.

SD-106

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Susan Paradise Baxter, Robert John Colville, and Marilyn Jean Horan, each to be a United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Mary S. McElroy, to be United States District Judge for the District of Rhode Island, and John Milton Younge, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health Policy
To hold hearings to examine the political and security crisis in Burundi.

SD-419

Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Business meeting to mark up S. 290, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the accountability of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and S. 425, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a five-year extension to the homeless veterans reintegration programs and to provide clarification regarding eligibility for services under such programs.

SR-418

Special Committee on Aging

To hold hearings to examine sudden price spikes in off-patent drugs, focusing on perspectives from the front lines.

SD-G50

DECEMBER 10

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine increasing effectiveness of military operations.

SD-G50

10 a.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold an oversight hearing to examine terrorism and global oil markets.

SD-366

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine independent South Sudan, focusing on a failure of leadership.

SD-419

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management

To hold hearings to examine the importance of following through on GAO and OIG recommendations.

SD-342

Committee on the Judiciary

Business meeting to consider S. 247, to amend section 349 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to deem specified activities in support of terrorism as renunciation of United States nationality, S. 1318, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for protection of maritime navigation and prevention of nuclear terrorism, H.R. 1428, to extend Privacy Act remedies to citizens of certified states, S. 483, to improve enforcement efforts related to prescription drug diversion and abuse, S. 1890, to amend chapter 90 of title 18, United States Code, to provide Federal jurisdiction for the theft of trade secrets, and the nominations of Dana J. Boente, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia for the term of four years, Robert Lloyd Capers, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York for the term of four years, John P. Fishwick, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Virginia for the term of four years, and Emily Gray Rice, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire for the term of four years, all of the Department of Justice.

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Select Committee on Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

DECEMBER 11

2 p.m.
Commission on Security and Cooperation
in Europe
To receive a briefing on human rights
violations in Russian-occupied Crimea.
RHOB-B318

JANUARY 20

2:30 p.m.
Committee on Armed Services
Subcommittee on Readiness and Manage-
ment Support
To hold an oversight hearing to examine
Task Force for Business and Stability
Operations projects in Afghanistan.
SR-232A