

Throughout his prolific career, Mr. Lange received numerous accolades, which includes being honored by the San Francisco Black Film Festival.

I have known Michael since my college days at Mills College—he constantly encouraged me. His smile, words of wisdom, and his friendship will be deeply missed.

Today, California's 13th Congressional District salutes and honors an outstanding individual, Mr. Michael Finley Lange. Mr. Lange's contributions have truly impacted so many lives throughout the Bay Area. I join all of Mr. Lange's loved ones in celebrating his incredible life. He will be deeply missed.

IN HONOR OF EMMA BASS

HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 3, 2015

Mr. BRADY of Texas. Mr. Speaker, it's been more than a century since the famous Blues singer Sam "Lightnin'" Hopkins was born in Centerville, but there has been one lady catching lightning on paper since 1980.

For more than three decades if news happened in the Leon county seat, we all could count on Emma Bass to keep us fully informed.

In her town of less than a thousand residents, Emma started The Centerville News with a local loan and a big dream.

Thanks to Emma's hard work, The Centerville News is a necessary part of Centerville life. Centerville natives who have moved away from home subscribe to keep up on local happenings. All thanks to Emma's hard work and perseverance.

My friendship with Emma started when I was lucky enough to be elected to represent Centerville in the Texas House of Representatives. That friendship continues today and I'm better for it.

Count me as part of Emma's fan club.

I greatly admire and respect her integrity, intelligence and humor.

Everyone knew that if you wanted to get the story out and get it right, you better be talking to Emma Bass.

In an era of newspaper cutbacks, it's that hometown feel that makes what she created so special. When you read a story in The Centerville News and close your eyes just for a moment, you are there.

While it may take time for the new team to fill Emma's shoes, The Centerville News she founded and nurtured is staying local and Emma's contributions to her community continue on through her work on the Centerville Chamber of Commerce board.

Emma Bass is a Centerville icon and her voice will be missed on the pages of The Centerville News. But my friend Emma's retirement from news is well deserved. May it be as long, happy and fulfilling as this wonderful lady deserves.

Thank you, Emma Bass, for sharing so much with all of us for all these years.

HONORING THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BOROUGH OF SHOEMAKERSVILLE

HON. CHARLES W. DENT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 3, 2015

Mr. DENT. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to rise today and congratulate my constituents residing in the Borough of Shoemakersville on the occasion of the 250th Anniversary of its founding.

Shoemakersville, located in Berks County, Pennsylvania, was founded by Henry and Carl Shoemaker in 1765. Henry and Carl were sons of German immigrant, Jacob Shoemaker.

When Henry and Carl arrived in the area that was to become Shoemakersville they found a dense forest land. It was Henry who built the first stone house at the site. This house stands to this day at the corner of Main & Miller Streets.

The area flourished, becoming an important hub on the Schuylkill Canal. The Canal allowed for the transportation of vital anthracite coal that fueled the industrial boom in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania during the middle of the Nineteenth Century.

With steady growth, the residents of the region decided to formally incorporate as the Borough of Shoemakersville on September 12, 1921.

Mr. Speaker, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the residents of Shoemakersville on this momentous anniversary celebration.

The story of Shoemakersville is the story of growth and prosperity fueled by hard work and the determination to overcome adversity that is the very essence of the American story.

On behalf of the House and my colleagues, I congratulate the people of the Borough of Shoemakersville on the occasion of the 250th Anniversary of its founding. God bless them and may they continue to know freedom and prosperity.

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 Thursday, June 04, 2015 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JUNE 9

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine S. 15, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to recognize the authority of States to regulate oil and gas operations and promote American energy security, development, and job creation, S. 454, to amend the Department of Energy High-End Computing Revitalization Act of 2004 to improve the high-end computing research and development program of the Department of Energy, S. 784, to direct the Secretary of Energy to establish microlabs to improve regional engagement with national laboratories, S. 1033, to amend the Department of Energy Organization Act to replace the current requirement for a biennial energy policy plan with a Quadrennial Energy Review, S. 1054, to improve the productivity and energy efficiency of the manufacturing sector by directing the Secretary of Energy, in coordination with the National Academies and other appropriate Federal agencies, to develop a national smart manufacturing plan and to provide assistance to small-and medium-sized manufacturers in implementing smart manufacturing programs, S. 1068, to amend the Federal Power Act to protect the bulk-power system from cyber security threats, S. 1181, to expand the Advanced Technology Vehicle Manufacturing Program to include commercial trucks and United States flagged vessels, to return unspent funds and loan proceeds to the United States Treasury to reduce the national debt, S. 1187, to improve management of the National Laboratories, enhance technology commercialization, facilitate public-private partnerships, S. 1216, to amend the Natural Gas Act to modify a provision relating to civil penalties, S. 1218, to establish an interagency coordination committee or subcommittee with the leadership of the Department of Energy and the Department of the Interior, focused on the nexus between energy and water production, use, and efficiency, S. 1221, to amend the Federal Power Act to require periodic reports on electricity reliability and reliability impact statements for rules affecting the reliable operation of the bulk-power system, S. 1223, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to improve the loan guarantee program for innovative technologies, S. 1229, to require the Secretary of Energy to submit a plan to implement recommendations to improve interactions between the Department of Energy and National Laboratories, S. 1230, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program under which the Director of the Bureau of Land Management shall enter into memoranda of understanding with States providing for State oversight of oil and gas production activities, S. 1241, to provide for the modernization, security, and resiliency of the electric grid, to require the Secretary of Energy to carry out programs for research, development, demonstration, and information-sharing for cybersecurity for the energy sector, S. 1256, to require the Secretary of Energy to establish an energy storage research program, loan program, and technical assistance and grant program, S. 1258, to require the Secretary

of Energy to establish a distributed energy loan program and technical assistance and grant program, S. 1259, to establish a grant program to allow National Laboratories to provide vouchers to small business concerns to improve commercialization of technologies developed at National Laboratories and the technology-driven economic impact of commercialization in the regions in which National Laboratories are located, S. 1263, to provide for the establishment of a Clean Energy Technology Manufacturing and Export Assistance Fund to assist United States businesses with exporting clean energy technology products and services, S. 1274, to amend the National Energy Conservation Policy Act to reauthorize Federal agencies to enter into long-term contracts for the acquisition of energy, S. 1275, to establish a Financing Energy Efficient Manufacturing Program in the Department of Energy to provide financial assistance to promote energy efficiency and onsite renewable technologies in manufacturing and industrial facilities, S. 1277, to improve energy savings by the Department of Defense, S. 1293, to establish the Department of Energy as the lead agency for coordinating all requirements under Federal law with respect to eligible clean coal and advanced coal technology generating projects, S. 1306, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to use existing funding available to further projects that would improve energy efficiency and reduce emissions, S. 1310, to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from issuing new oil or natural gas production leases in the Gulf of Mexico under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to a person that does not renegotiate its existing leases in order to require royalty payments if oil and natural gas prices are greater than or equal to specified price thresholds, S. 1311, to amend the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982 and the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to modify certain penalties to deter oil spills, S. 1312, to modernize Federal policies regarding the supply and distribution of energy in the United States, S. 1338, to amend the Federal Power Act to provide licensing procedures for certain types of projects, S. 1340, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to improve coal leasing, S. 1346, to require the Secretary of Energy to establish an e-prize competition pilot program to provide up to 4 financial awards to eligible entities that develop and verifiably demonstrate technology that reduces the cost of electricity or space heat in a high-cost region, S. 1363, to require the Secretary of Energy to submit to Congress a report assessing the capability of the Department of Energy to authorize, host, and oversee privately funded fusion and fission reactor prototypes and related demonstration facilities at sites owned by the Department of Energy, S. 1398, to extend, improve, and consolidate energy research and development programs, S. 1405, to require a coordinated response to coal fuel supply emergencies that could impact electric power system adequacy or reliability, S. 1407, to promote the development of renewable energy on public land, S. 1408, to provide for a program of research, development, demonstration, and commercial application in vehicle technologies at the Department of Energy, S. 1420, to amend the De-

partment of Energy Organization Act to provide for the collection of information on critical energy supplies, to establish a Working Group on Energy Markets, S. 1422, to require the Secretary of Energy to establish a comprehensive program to improve education and training for energy-and manufacturing-related jobs to increase the number of skilled workers trained to work in energy and manufacturing-related fields, S. 1428, to amend the USEC Privatization Act to require the Secretary of Energy to issue a long-term Federal excess uranium inventory management plan, S. 1432, to require the Secretary of Energy to conduct a study on the technology, potential lifecycle energy savings, and economic impact of recycled carbon fiber, S. 1434, to amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to establish an energy storage portfolio standard, S. 1449, to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to add certain medium-duty and heavy-duty vehicles to the advanced technology vehicles manufacturing incentive program, and H.R. 35, to increase the understanding of the health effects of low doses of ionizing radiation.

SD-366

10:30 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Department of Defense
Business meeting to markup an original bill entitled, “Fiscal Year 2016 Department of Defense Appropriations.”

SD-192

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Transportation Security Administration, focusing on first-hand and government watchdog accounts of agency challenges.

SD-342

JUNE 10

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine passenger rail safety, focusing on accident prevention and on-going efforts to implement train control technology.

SR-253

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine health information exchange, focusing on a path towards improving the quality and value of health care for patients.

SD-430

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Peter V. Neffenger, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security.

SD-342

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the Federal regulatory system to improve accountability, transparency and integrity.

SD-226

10:30 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies

Business meeting to markup an original bill entitled, “Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016”.

SD-192

1:30 p.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Luis Felipe Restrepo, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

SD-226

2 p.m.

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To hold hearings to examine the escalating threat of ISIL in Central Asia.

RHOB-2175

2:15 p.m.

Committee on Indian Affairs

Business meeting to consider S. 248, to clarify the rights of Indians and Indian tribes on Indian lands under the National Labor Relations Act; to be immediately followed by an oversight hearing to examine addressing the need for victim services in Indian County.

SD-628

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

Subcommittee on National Parks

To hold hearings to examine S. 145, to require the Director of the National Park Service to refund to States all State funds that were used to reopen and temporarily operate a unit of the National Park System during the October 2013 shutdown, S. 146, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into agreements with States and political subdivisions of States providing for the continued operation, in whole or in part, of public land, units of the National Park System, units of the National Wildlife Refuge System, and units of the National Forest System in the State during any period in which the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture is unable to maintain normal level of operations at the units due to a lapse in appropriations, S. 319, to designate a mountain in the State of Alaska as Mount Denali, S. 329, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook in the State of Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 403, to revise the authorized route of the North Country National Scenic Trail in northeastern Minnesota and to extend the trail into Vermont to connect with the Appalachian National Scenic Trail, S. 521, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of President Station in Baltimore, Maryland, S. 610, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of P.S. 103 in West Baltimore, Maryland and for other purposes, S. 782, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a bison management plan for Grand Canyon National Park, S. 873, to designate the wilderness within the Lake Clark National Park and Preserve in the State of Alaska as the Jay S. Hammond Wilderness Area, and S. 1483, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the James K. Polk Home in Columbia, Tennessee, as a unit of the National Park System.

SD-366

Committee on Homeland Security and
Governmental Affairs

Subcommittee on Federal Spending Over-
sight and Emergency Management

To hold hearings to examine wasteful
spending in the Federal government,
focusing on an outside perspective.

SD-342

Special Committee on Aging

To hold hearings to examine the pro-
liferation of unwanted calls.

SD-562

JUNE 11

10:30 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and
Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine accounts of
current and former federal agency
whistleblowers.

SD-342

JUNE 16

10 a.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Re-
sources

To hold hearings to examine the nomina-
tions of Jonathan Elkind, of Maryland,
to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy
(International Affairs), and Monica C.
Regalbuto, of Illinois, to be an Assist-

ant Secretary of Energy (Environ-
mental Management).

SD-366

JULY 9

10 a.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Re-
sources

To hold hearings to examine the back-
end of the nuclear fuel cycle and re-
lated legislation, including S. 854, to
establish a new organization to manage
nuclear waste, provide a consensual
process for siting nuclear waste facili-
ties, ensure adequate funding for man-
aging nuclear waste.

SD-366