

Wyoming's communities. I am pleased to offer my sincere appreciation to the members of the Wyoming Dental Association as they celebrate their centennial.

NATIONAL JERKY DAY

Mr. ROUNDS. Mr. President, today I remind my fellow Americans of National Jerky Day on June 12, 2016.

Jerky has been a staple of the American diet since the birth of our Nation because of its portability and high protein content. Early settlers learned bison jerky preparation techniques from Native Americans. Lewis and Clark cured and ate jerky over the course of their historic expedition. Now, our astronauts consume jerky aboard the International Space Station.

The production of jerky is also an important component of our national economy. Companies from coast to coast employ thousands of workers to produce American-made jerky and distribute it internationally. Our Nation's farmers and ranchers produce high-quality products that help make the best jerky in the world.

Therefore, I encourage my fellow citizens to enjoy a nutritious jerky snack in celebration of National Jerky Day on Sunday, June 12, 2016.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

STRATHAM'S 300TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

• Ms. AYOTTE. Mr. President, today I wish to honor the 300th anniversary of the town of Stratham, New Hampshire.

Stratham is located in southeast New Hampshire, in a region inhabited by Native Americans for thousands of years before the arrival of Europeans on our shores. It was first settled in 1631, and in 1709, the residents petitioned for the creation of their own town in order to build a school, church, and meeting house. Lieutenant Governor George Vaughn granted residents permission, on March 20, 1716, to collect taxes, hold town meetings, elect selectmen, appoint a minister, and build a meeting house on Kings Grant Highway. The location of the original Stratham Meeting House is where the Stratham Community Church stands today.

In 1906, a park was opened in town after Edward Tuck sold 70 acres of land to the town of Stratham for \$1. Mr. Tuck's major stipulation during the transfer of Stratham Hill Park's land was that "it was given for the free use and enjoyment of the residents of Stratham and the surrounding communities." In 1966, the town of Stratham celebrated their 250th anniversary and residents have gathered every year since to celebrate their founding at what is now known as the Stratham Fair. A Land Protection Committee was created in 2002, and a decade later,

over 543 acres or nearly 6 percent of the town of Stratham has been conserved and protected permanently.

Today Stratham is home to the headquarters of the Timberland Corporation and to the only Lindt & Sprungli factory in the United States.

This year, on the occasion of Stratham's 300th Anniversary of its founding, I join more than 7,000 residents in commemorating the rich heritage and valuable contributions to the State of New Hampshire and our Nation.●

REMEMBERING GARY DIGIUSEPPE

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, today I wish to acknowledge the life of Gary John DiGiuseppe whose passion for agriculture and journalism helped keep Arkansans informed about the State's No. 1 industry.

Gary was a man who knew the importance of dedication and hard work. He was fiercely dedicated to his family and his life's work. He was a man who possessed a broad base of invaluable knowledge that he shared eagerly through his radio shows and literature. He worked as an agricultural reporter for 35 years. To others in his field, he was known as a true professional of agriculture.

Many knew Gary as the man who started their mornings off with a friendly voice. He was an accomplished talk show host and writer. He was known for doing an excellent job reporting on conferences and interviews. There are few who do not trust his educated opinion. His writing has also been published in the "Arkansas Money & Politics" magazine.

Gary was often referred to as an asset, trustworthy, and well informed. In addition, he was well versed in other aspects of life. He was an accomplished musician and stood firm on his important principles through determined discipline.

Gary always represented situations clearly and fair in his reporting. I was happy to talk with him about the agricultural topics that he was researching and reporting on.

He maintained a passion for learning and teaching all aspects of agriculture.

I am remembering Gary today as a true friend of Arkansas agriculture. My thoughts and prayers go out to Gary's wife, Mary, and his entire family. I humbly offer my gratitude and appreciation for one of Arkansas' finest agriculture advocates.●

TRIBUTE TO COLTER SCULLY

• Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, I would like to acknowledge an exceptional Montanan, Colter Scully. Colter is a rising senior at Powell County High School and is preparing for his board of reviews to complete his Eagle Scout application. Three years ago, Colter was inspired to create a frisbee-golf course in his community. Thanks to his leadership and perseverance, the course was opened on May 31, 2016.

Colter's scoutmaster, Tom Burkhardt, describes Colter as a natural outdoorsman and leader, who leads quietly and kindly but has earned the following and respect of his peers. Tom says, "What sets Colter apart is once he sets his mind to something he's going to do all that he needs to do to see it through."

Eagle Scouts applicants must present a community project that requires planning, coordination, and future thinking. Colter sought out the Deer Lodge Parks Board and a local youth club against corporate tobacco, reACT, to coordinate the creation of his frisbee-golf course. Colter created a dynamic team of individuals who came together to provide the communities of Deer Lodge and Powell with a tobacco-free and entertaining activity.

The Eagle Scout is one of the highest performance-based achievements a young man can earn. In fact, only 5 percent of scouts attain this ranking. Colter had to secure 21 merit badges ranging from first-aid and camping to environmental science and family life, while holding leadership positions. Colter has humbly served Troop 239 as quartermaster, patrol leader, and senior patrol leader.

He embodies the boy scout oath to do his best, to serve God and his country, and to help others at all times in all areas of his life. At Powell County High School, Colter is an honor student who puts forth his best work, earning a 4.0 GPA, while juggling three sports: football, basketball, and track.

I have no doubt this young man's hard work and dedication will be rewarded. As an Eagle Scout, he will be joining the ranks of impressive individuals such as Neil Armstrong and Gerald Ford. I hope you will join me in wishing Colter the best of luck as he prepares for his Eagle Scout board of review.●

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM PARK

• Mr. HELLER. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize an upstanding Nevadan, William Park, who has served as a volunteer firefighter for the Smith Valley Fire Protection District for over 50 years. It gives me great pleasure to recognize his years of hard work and dedication to creating a safe environment for the Smith Valley community.

Mr. Park joined the Smith Valley Fire Protection District as a volunteer firefighter in 1966. He was one of the first Emergency Medical Services, EMS, instructors in the State as part of the Professional Rescue Instructors of Nevada, where he trained hundreds of emergency medical technicians. In just 10 years, Mr. Park rose in the ranks and was selected to serve as assistant fire chief and later fire chief of the District. In the late 1970s, Mr. Park's construction company, Park Construction, rebuilt the Smith Valley Fire Protection District's Wellington Station, growing the facility to two apparatus bays. By 1980, he became the

president of the Nevada State Firefighters Association, NSFA, while continuing to serve as fire chief. Mr. Park is truly a role model in the fire services community throughout northern Nevada and across the Silver State.

In August of 1979, Mr. Park was badly burned during an accident after a Wednesday night training class and spent weeks recovering in the intensive care unit. This incident brought great support from the Nevada fire family and ultimately led to the creation of the NSFA Benevolence Fund and the Smith Valley Fire Protection District Community Assistance Fund. Even after this traumatic experience, Mr. Park showed great resilience and continued to serve the district as assistant chief and by instructing EMS training. To this day, Mr. Park continues to be an active participant with the district and responded to over 50 percent of department calls in 2015. Mr. Park stands as a shining example of someone who has gone above and beyond for those around him.

It is the brave men and women who serve in our local fire departments that help keep our communities safe. These heroes selflessly put their lives on the line every day. I extend my deepest gratitude to Mr. Park for his courageous contributions to the people of Smith Valley and the Silver State. His sacrifice and courage earn him a place among the outstanding men and women who have valiantly put their lives on the line to benefit others.

Mr. Park has demonstrated professionalism, commitment to excellence, and dedication to the highest standards of the Smith Valley Fire Protection District. I am both humbled and honored by his service and am proud to call him a fellow Nevadan. Today I ask all of my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Park for his years of hard work, and I give my deepest appreciation for all that he has done to make Nevada a safer place. I offer him my best wishes for many successful and fulfilling years to come. ●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and withdrawals which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:36 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by

Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, with amendment, in which it request the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 2276. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide enhanced safety in pipeline transportation, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3826. An act to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to modify provisions relating to certain land exchanges in the Mt. Hood Wilderness in the State of Oregon.

H.R. 4775. An act to facilitate efficient State implementation of ground-level ozone standards, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 4775. An act to facilitate efficient State implementation of ground-level ozone standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BLUNT, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 3040. An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-274).

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1879. A bill to improve processes in the Department of the Interior, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-275).

By Mr. GRASSLEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with amendments:

S. 2944. A bill to require adequate reporting on the Public Safety Officers' Benefit program, and for other purposes.

By Mr. VITTER, from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2992. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to strengthen the Office of Credit Risk Management of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 3009. A bill to support entrepreneurs serving in the National Guard and Reserve, and for other purposes.

By Mr. VITTER, from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, without amendment:

S. 3024. A bill to improve cyber security for small businesses.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of a nomination was submitted:

By Mr. BLUNT for the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Carla D. Hayden, of Maryland, to be Librarian of Congress for a term of ten years.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. KING (for himself, Mr. NELSON, and Mr. BURR):

S. 3039. A bill to support programs for mosquito-borne and other vector-borne disease surveillance and control; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BLUNT:

S. 3040. An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 3041. A bill to repeal the Military Selective Service Act; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. FRANKEN, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 3042. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the scope of procedural rights of members of the uniformed services with respect to their employment and reemployment rights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mrs. ERNST):

S. 3043. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program establishing a patient self-scheduling appointment system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. 3044. A bill to provide certain assistance for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 3045. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to reform certain forfeiture procedures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 3046. A bill to require the Consumer Product Safety Commission to promulgate a consumer product safety rule for free-standing clothing storage units to protect children from tip-over related death or injury, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. LEE (for himself, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. VITTER):

S. 3047. A bill to help individuals receiving assistance under means-tested welfare programs obtain self-sufficiency, to provide information on total spending on means-tested welfare programs, to provide an overall spending limit on means-tested welfare programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FLAKE (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S.J. Res. 35. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the final rule of the Department of Labor relating to "Interpretation of the 'Advice' Exemption in Section 203(c) of the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.