

site was excavated. Captain Barnes' remains were eventually returned to his family for burial.

According to a report by JTF-FA Detachment 2 in Hanoi, Vietnamese cooperation throughout the period remained excellent. All recovery team leaders commented positively on cooperation at the central, provincial, and local levels of government. One team leader described cooperation and the Vietnamese preparation done to support the joint field operations, as the best he'd ever seen in Vietnam. Additionally, reports from senior JTF-FA officials in Vietnam: Col. Mel Richmond (1994-95) and Col. Timothy Bosse (1995-96) rated Vietnamese cooperation as high.

As cooperation strengthened, Vietnam saw the benefits of growth. The U.S. paid Vietnam for its workers, equipment, and land use. Millions of dollars a year went to the Vietnamese government in support of recovery operations. The CIA concluded "Hanoi's cooperation has been sparked by its impression that relations with the U.S. are warming, albeit at a slower pace than Vietnam would like, and is fueled by Hanoi's desperate need to attract financial assistance to improve the sagging Vietnam economy. We believe that Hanoi is badly interested in access to badly needed funds from the International Monetary Fund and The World Bank; Hanoi probably hopes a more cooperative attitude on the POW MIA issue will weaken the U.S. resistance to loans".

Additionally, there was a new generation of Vietnamese wanting the war put behind them. They called it a "musty history." Many young Vietnamese wanted to enter the business world. They wanted Vietnam to find its identity and catch up economically with the rest of South-East Asia. A cornerstone to solidify strengthening relations and putting the past behind them was the opening of the U.S. embassy in Vietnam in August 1995 in Hanoi. With the opening, President Clinton extended full diplomatic recognition to Vietnam.

The opening of the embassy, as depicted in Appendix 6, finished a process begun by the Bush Administration in 1991 when Washington and Hanoi agreed on steps for recognition. President Clinton stated, "This moment offers us the opportunity to bind up our own wounds," evoking words used by Lincoln at the end of the Civil War. "They have resisted time for too long. We can move onto common ground." Clinton also stated he would continue to press Vietnam for full accounting of our remaining missing service personnel. He argued that in the months after lifting the trade embargo more than 29 missing Americans were identified and Hanoi turned over hundreds of pages of relevant documents. At the same time, Vietnam's Prime Minister, Vo Van Kiet, pledged to the U.S. to continue cooperation in helping account for missing service members.

In the end, both countries got what they needed turning conflict into compromise. The U.S. got cooperation on the POW/MIA issue to include conducting recovery operations within Vietnam. Vietnam received desperately needed money for economic development, access to loans, and increased trade. With renewed diplomatic relations, trade, modern factories, and jobs soon followed. Companies such as Coke, IBM, General Electric and ExXon to name a view invested in new plants providing much needed jobs to a poor country. Vietnamese cooperation continues today and relationships continue to improve. Just recently President Donald Trump hosted the Prime Minister of Vietnam Nguyen Xuan Phuc at the White House to chart an agenda for U.S.-Vietnam relations, building on the positive momentum of the comprehensive partnership be-

tween the two countries. Over the years, one thing remained constant, providing the fullest possible accounting for the POW/MIAs. It remains the U.S.'s highest priority when dealing with Vietnam. Even today, recovery teams operate with the Vietnamese across the countryside. The compromises that took place in the 1990s led to cooperation and trust between two former enemies to the benefit of both countries.

BAKERS CREEK TRAGEDY 75TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION

HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Bakers Creek Air Crash on June 14, 1943, in which forty U.S. Army Air Corps Service Members tragically perished at Bakers Creek, Queensland, Australia during World War II.

These deaths were the result of the crash of a B-17C Flying Fortress, which proved to be the worst aviation disaster of the Southwest Pacific War. More men died on that plane from Pennsylvania (6) than from any other State. The PA Fallen were: Pvt James E. Finney/Erie; T/Sgt Alfred H. Frezza/Altoona; Sgt Donald B. Kyper/Huntingdon; Pfc Frank S. Penska/Moscow; Sgt Anthony Rudnick/Philadelphia; and Cpl Raymond H. Smith/Oil City.

Only since passing the FY06 National Defense Authorization Act (Public Law 109-163) has Congress officially recognized this previously classified wartime accident. Previously, most of the crash victims' Families were left in the dark about the truth of their loved ones' deaths in World War II.

A dozen years ago, many of my colleagues actively supported efforts to place a memorial in Arlington. Moreover, in June 2008, the Pennsylvania Legislature passed a resolution designating June 14th as "Bakers Creek Memorial Day."

I understand that Colonel Kimberly A. Peebles, Garrison Commander, Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, the Honorable Joe Hockey, Australian Ambassador to the United States, and U.S. Fifth Air Force Commander, General Ralph E. Eberhart, USAF Ret will place a wreath at the Bakers Creek Memorial to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the crash.

I applaud the Service Members at JBM-HH and members of the Bakers Creek Memorial Association for their continued efforts to help bring closure to the casualty Families with annual public remembrance ceremonies for the forty American Servicemen who perished at Bakers Creek in Australia during World War II.

TESTING INCENTIVE PAYMENTS FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROVIDERS FOR ADOPTION AND USE OF CERTIFIED ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD TECHNOLOGY

HON. RON ESTES

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

Mr. ESTES of Kansas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 3331, encouraging

the adoption of electronic health record technology by behavioral health providers. The Meaningful Use Program has been instrumental in providing incentives to eligible clinicians to use electronic health record technology. Unfortunately, behavioral health providers have been left out of this program. H.R. 3331, sponsored by Rep. LYNN JENKINS, would incentivize psychiatric hospitals, community health centers and substance use treatment facilities to use the electronic health record technology.

Mental health includes emotional, psychological and social well-being and affects how individuals think, feel and act. This bill is an important step in ensuring medical providers have access to records for both mental and physical health, so that we can improve care coordination and meet the needs of patients. Rep. JENKINS has been a champion for mental health reform and I look forward to continuing our work on this important issue.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. AL GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, I missed the following votes:

H.R. 5327, Comprehensive Opioid Recovery Centers Act 2018. Had I been present, I would have voted YES on this bill.

H.R. 5041, Safe Disposal of Unused Medication Act. Had I been present, I would have voted YES on this bill.

Journal Vote. Had I been present, I would have voted YES on this bill.

HONORING THE NICHOLAS ACADEMIC CENTER

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Nicholas Academic Center in Santa Ana, California. The Nicholas Academic Center is an after-school tutoring and mentoring program that first opened in 2008. Now with three centers opened throughout the city, high school students have been given the opportunity to have a safe and nurturing space where they can receive academic and study assistance, emotional support, mentoring and social services to prepare students as they pursue their educational goals at an institution of higher learning.

The Nicholas Academic Center was established by Henry T. Nicholas III and Judge Jack K. Mandel in 2008. Their goal was to establish a center where all the necessary tools could be provided to underprivileged students for them to succeed in the future. The Nicholas Academic Center has provided students with academic assistance, college connections, and scholarship opportunities. Staff member are also highly qualified and dedicated to helping students succeed not only in high school but also through college.

Today, the Nicholas Academic Center has served more than 1,500 students in their 10-

year-history and their students have been awarded nearly \$60 Million in scholarships and grants. Due to the help received from the center, students have been accepted to some of the nation's most prestigious institutions, like University of California, Los Angeles, University of Notre Dame, Stanford University and Harvard University. With 95 percent of the graduates being Latino, 90 percent of these graduates are first-generation college students. Out of the Nicholas Academic Center's 2018 graduating class consisting of 195 students, 100 percent of the class will be attending college this Fall.

The services provided by the Nicholas Academic Center would not be possible without the generosity of Dr. Nicholas III through the Henry T. Nicholas III Foundation, who has donated \$14.3 million dollars to the center over the past ten years.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize the Nicholas Academic Center who has dedicated the past decade to helping underprivileged students succeed.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, due to an unavoidable family commitment I missed Roll Call vote number 258 regarding the "Comprehensive Opioid Recovery Centers Act." Had I been present, I would have voted Yes.

On Roll Call vote number 259 regarding the "Safe Disposal of Unused Medication Act," I would have voted Yes.

On Roll Call vote number 260 regarding the "approving of the Journal", I would have voted Yes.

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 14, 2018 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JUNE 15

- 10 a.m.
 Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe
 To receive a briefing on the Trump Administration's Russia policy.
 SD-562

JUNE 18

- 2 p.m.
 Committee on the Judiciary
 To hold hearings to examine the Inspector General's first report on Department of Justice and Federal Bureau of Investigation actions in advance of the 2016 presidential election.
 SH-216

- 3:30 p.m.
 Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe
 To receive a briefing on corruption in Ukraine's energy sector.
 SD-G11

JUNE 19

- 9:30 a.m.
 Committee on Armed Services
 To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Lieutenant General Austin S. Miller, USA, to be general and Commander, Resolute Support Mission, North Atlantic Treaty Organization/Commander, United States Forces—Afghanistan, Department of Defense.
 SD-G50

- 10 a.m.
 Committee on Appropriations
 Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security
 Business meeting to markup an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.
 SD-124

- Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
 To hold hearings to examine effective administration of the 340B Drug Pricing Program.
 SD-430

- Committee on the Judiciary
 To hold an oversight hearing to examine the EB-5 investor visa program.
 SD-226

- 11 a.m.
 Committee on Appropriations
 Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government
 Business meeting to markup an original bill making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.
 SD-138

- 2:30 p.m.
 Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
 Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security
 To hold hearings to examine Cambridge Analytica and other Facebook partners, focusing on data privacy risks.
 SR-253

- Special Committee on Aging
 To hold hearings to examine changing the trajectory of Alzheimer's, focusing on reducing risk, detecting early symptoms, and improving data.
 SD-106

- 3 p.m.
 Committee on Appropriations
 Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs
 Business meeting to markup an original bill making appropriations for the De-

partment of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.

SD-138

JUNE 20

- 9 a.m.
 Committee on Finance
 To hold hearings to examine current and proposed tariff actions administered by the Department of Commerce.
 SD-215

- 10 a.m.
 Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
 To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Geoffrey Adam Starks, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission, and Peter A. Feldman, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission.
 SR-253

- Committee on Environment and Public Works
 To hold hearings to examine the nominations of William Charles McIntosh, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Administrator, and Peter C. Wright, of Michigan, to be Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, both of the Environmental Protection Agency.
 SD-406

- Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
 To hold hearings to examine Medicaid fraud and overpayments, focusing on problems and solutions.
 SD-342

- Committee on the Judiciary
 To hold hearings to examine pending nominations.
 SD-226

- 10:15 a.m.
 Committee on Foreign Relations
 To hold hearings to examine United States Agency for International Development resources and redesign.
 SD-419

- 10:30 a.m.
 Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
 Business meeting to consider S. 3029, to revise and extend the Prematurity Research Expansion and Education for Mothers who deliver Infants Early Act (PREEMIE Act), S. 1112, to support States in their work to save and sustain the health of mothers during pregnancy, childbirth, and in the postpartum period, to eliminate disparities in maternal health outcomes for pregnancy-related and pregnancy-associated deaths, to identify solutions to improve health care quality and health outcomes for mothers, S. 808, to provide protections for certain sports medicine professionals who provide certain medical services in a secondary State, S. 3039, to provide funding for the development of a predictive analytics pilot program to help children and families who come to the attention of the child welfare system, an original bill to reauthorize the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act, and the nominations of Scott Stump, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Career, Technical, and Adult Education, Department of Education, John Lowry III, of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training, and other pending nominations.
 SD-430