

personal notes to the families of the victims of military deaths.

He supported veterans. He supported our country. He was a man of conscience. He still is. Our thoughts are with him, and I thank him for his service and his friendship.

Mr. Speaker, I say to my friend: Fair winds and following seas.

CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT OF J. GENE FAILE

(Ms. FOXX of North Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FOXX of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize J. Gene Faile for his outstanding career and his impending retirement after 30 years of dedication to healthcare administration.

A veteran of the U.S. Air Force, Faile began his career at Yokota Air Base in Japan. Afterwards, he earned degrees in finance and business, and became a sought-after hospital administrator and advisory board member around the country.

For 10 years, Faile has served as the President of Wake Forest Baptist Health-Wilkes Medical Center in my district, championing excellent patient care and strengthening the hospital's finances. During his tenure, Wilkes County has been blessed by his generosity and leadership, including with the March for Babies, Wilkes Community College, Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, and The Health Foundation, Inc.

Although he will be missed in the Fifth District, I wish him and his wife, Peggy, a wonderful retirement with his family in Raleigh.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JUAN PABLO DUARTE

(Mr. ESPAILLAT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Juan Pablo Duarte, the founding father of the Dominican Republic. Duarte was instrumental in the war of Dominican independence, and he fought for a liberal democracy.

January 26, this past Saturday, marked Duarte's birthday, a day that is celebrated in the Dominican Republic as a national holiday, and Dominicans celebrated it across the world.

Last week, I introduced H. Res. 64, which supports the ideals of Juan Pablo Duarte Day, and urges the recognition of this day in the United States, as many Dominican Americans celebrate here as well.

This resolution is one of three I introduced last week to mark the beginning of Dominican Heritage Month to honor the Dominican American community in my district and across the country.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my many colleagues join me in recognizing this im-

portant day and the contributions of Dominican Americans across the United States.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JACK T. BRINKLEY, SR.

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember the life of Young Harris College trustee emeritus and former United States Representative from the Third District of Georgia, Mr. Jack T. Brinkley, Sr., who passed away on January 23 at the age of 88.

Mr. Brinkley was a true public servant who quietly helped numerous individuals. Before his 16-year career as a Member of Congress, he taught school, piloted planes in the Air Force, and moved to west Georgia to be close to his wife's family.

After serving in Congress, he returned home to work in his family law firm. Even with his low profile, Mr. Brinkley did significant work. He introduced over 650 bills, most of which involved veterans. He had a gift for remembering names and key qualities of his constituents, but most importantly, Mr. Brinkley was a genuine, selfless, high-character public servant who will be deeply missed.

My thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends during this time.

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INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

(Ms. SHALALA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. SHALALA. Mr. Speaker, yesterday, January 27, we observed International Holocaust Remembrance Day. This day marks the 74th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau.

Today I rise because we have a sacred duty to remember the lives lost to Nazism, an abominable evil.

We must remember so that we never forget.

We must never forget the events of the Holocaust so that we may stand together against anti-Semitism and against any such acts leveraged in the future against the Jewish people and all people everywhere.

CONGRATULATING COACH KEN LEONARD

(Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my friend, Ken Leonard, head coach of the Sacred Heart-Griffin Cyclones, for being nominated by the Chicago Bears for the 2018 Don Shula NFL High School Coach of the Year Award. This

year, he follows his son, Derek, who was nominated last year.

Coach Leonard was nominated for this prestigious award because of his leadership, dedication to the community, and his commitment to the health and safety of his players and their on-field success. This past year, Coach Leonard became the all-time leader for victories in Illinois high school coaching history—ironically, beating his son's very good Rochester team to get that record.

As the head coach since 1984, Coach Leonard has an outstanding 379 win and 74 career loss record, including five State championships in eight title game appearances. He has spent countless hours on the field, in classrooms, and in chapels teaching players about character and helping prepare them for a very successful future.

Mr. Speaker, I want to thank Ken for his service to the Springfield community over the years and congratulate him, his family, and his team on this great honor.

WE ASK GOD'S BLESSINGS ON CONGRESSMAN WALTER JONES

(Ms. KAPTUR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise this evening to join my remarks along with those of Congressman STEVE COHEN of Tennessee to reach our beloved colleague, WALTER JONES of the Third District of North Carolina, and his family as they walk through these difficult days. I wish to say thank you to the people of North Carolina for sending such an honorable and dignified gentleman to this House to serve for over two decades, 12 terms.

I can remember how hard WALTER worked when Hurricane Florence hit—his district includes the Outer Banks of North Carolina—and spending his time with the citizens of his district.

I can't count the number of times he talked about Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, and I can't think of anyone who fought harder for veterans or those in our military than WALTER JONES. He is such a man of conscience and such a moral man. I know that the weight of this country's concerns fell on him very heavily.

WALTER, if you are listening to our words this evening, know that we walk with you in spirit. We know you are a man of deep faith, and we know that that faith will carry you through all of the most difficult shoals of life.

We miss you very much on this floor, but we can see your presence and feel your presence. It lingers and lasts among us. Know that we walk with you.

We hope you can hear our words, and we ask God to bless you, to bless your family, and to give you His everlasting strength.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DICK SHELLENBERGER

(Mr. SMUCKER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMUCKER. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor Dick Shellenberger, a wonderful man who dedicated his life to serving Lancaster County.

Dick recently passed away and left an enormous legacy in our community. I attended a memorial in his honor on Friday, and you could tell how well-loved he was in the community by so many people who showed up to pay their respects.

Dick first ran a dairy farm with his father. He was a graduate of Lancaster Mennonite High School. He worked for Kreider Farms and established the farm's ice cream business, operating its four family restaurants, two dairy stores, and wholesale milk business. He then was a restaurateur, but he eventually became Lancaster County Commissioner.

He was a strong proponent of farmland preservation because he knew the importance of agriculture and farming in our community. He served on many community boards and on his church boards and was always looking for ways to give back.

He is survived by his wife, Pam; a son, Richie; a daughter, Missy; and his six grandchildren.

Dick's legacy will undoubtedly live on in our community. We are grateful for his service to Lancaster County. We also know that he is in a better place, but we will certainly miss him here. It is humbling to be able to honor his life.

CELEBRATING MAYOR ALLEN OWEN

(Mr. OLSON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Mayor Allen Owen and his almost 40 years of faithful service to a great city in Texas—22, Missouri City.

Allen served as the mayor for the better part of 20 years. He always led in a crisis, like the recovery from Hurricane Harvey, one Memorial Day flood, and two tax day floods. He even cut the locks at a gas station to give fuel to first responders during those floods.

Allen and his wife of 51 years, Jane, have raised three amazing kids in Missouri City.

I will close with praise from a Texas icon, the great Texas philosopher and the coach of the Houston Oilers, Bum Phillips:

Allen Owen may not be in a class by himself, but whatever class he is in, it don't take long to call the roll.

Thank you, Al and Jane. May you always have fair winds and following seas.

KANSAS DAY

(Mr. WATKINS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WATKINS. Mr. Speaker, tomorrow is Kansas Day. As Kansas celebrates her 158th birthday, I would like to take a minute to celebrate her.

Our State motto is "Ad Astra per Aspera," through hardships to the stars. This motto captures our State and the spirit of our people.

We have had frontiersmen, space explorers, and leaders in agriculture and digital technology.

We have won sports championships and Academy Awards.

Leaders like Eisenhower, Dole, Roberts, and Pompeo have helped make the world a better place.

From our history of Bleeding Kansas to Brown v. Board of Education, we are never afraid to fight for what is right.

For 158 years, Kansas, you look great.

BORDER SECURITY

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend President Trump for coming together with this 3-week deal that will allow us to open the government, as it has, and continue the discussion on the border security issue we so desperately need.

It is time to put up or shut up. This has been a bipartisan effort in the past with previous legislation to build the border fence and a lot of rhetoric and a lot of talk by the other side of the aisle supporting a controlled border and legal immigration.

It is time to go ahead and do it—no more talk, no more obfuscation, and no more pointing fingers in the other direction. We need to have border security in a bipartisan way, as it has been done in the past.

Who cares that it is President Trump or someone else in the White House only because it is a political fight? This is something our Nation needs.

So, again, 3 weeks to get it done, 3 weeks to come together and acknowledge that a barrier system on our border is one important component of many to have a secure border and allow legal immigration in this country.

CBO REPORT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2019, the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. SCHWEIKERT) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.

Mr. SCHWEIKERT. Mr. Speaker, I am going to try to do a couple of things tonight, and some of this is actually to answer some correspondence we had into our office when we did part

of our, we will call it, unified theory presentation a couple weeks ago on what we see happening.

I have two key points I really want to try to drill home tonight. I am going to say them over and over, and I am going to use a number of different slides to talk about them.

Mr. Speaker, one is, it is obvious. You see what is happening in our mandatory spending, but that mandatory spending is substantially driven by our demographics. We are getting older as a society, and we need to just deal with that. That is not Republican or Democratic; it is basically math.

Those of us from the baby boom—there are 74 million of us—the peak of the baby boom, I believe, right now, is about 63 years old. A lot of the reforms should have happened a decade ago. Now it is almost too late.

So how do we deal with the fact of the matter? We are going to see a number of slides of what is about to happen in our mandatory spending curve and what that means to the financial impact of our debt and our economic growth in our society, because much of the debate you will see behind these microphones, I believe, is actually missing the point.

We joke in our office that D.C. is substantially a math-free zone. We are going to try to actually do some math.

The reason we put up this slide is very, very simple: just to visualize it. It is about a year old.

This new CBO report update came out today. We are grinding through it. We have a couple slides here from that.

But just to visualize, this is 1965, and that is 2018.

Mr. Speaker, do you see the red area on the 2018? That is to give you a sense that we don't vote on that. That is on autopilot. The blue area is actually the defense spending; that is about 15 percent. The green is basically everything else.

So remember, 70 to 75 percent of all of the spending around here is on autopilot. I am going to show you, Mr. Speaker, in a number of these slides how much of that is actually really based on our demographics.

This slide is very powerful—and I am going to bend it just a bit to try to understand.

Now, this is done by the Manhattan Institute. It was done about a year ago. So we are going to try to get the numbers updated.

Now, this is not adjusted for inflation. So when it says what is causing an \$84 trillion deficit, functionally, over the next 29, 30 years, you can take off about one-third if you want to do the inflation adjustment in your head.

But when you look at it, the point is up here. You see the first bar; that is Social Security. The middle bar there is Medicare, and the third bar is everything else.

Mr. Speaker, you will notice everything else over the 30 years is actually positive in its impact on revenues, but Social Security and Medicare are the