

In 2008, he was selected as a Navy Legislative Fellow to the U.S. House of Representatives where as a key staff member he advised a Senior U.S. Congressman on National Security Policy and Foreign Defense Affairs. Following his Legislative Fellowship on Capitol Hill in 2009, he reported to Colorado Springs, CO where served as the Senior Military Advisor to the Commander, NORAD and USNORTHCOM for Legislative Affairs.

After completing his assignment at NORAD and USNORTHCOM, Commander Dunlay reported to his current assignment as a Congressional Liaison in the Navy's Financial Management and Budget Office managing a diverse portfolio containing the Research Development Test and Evaluation (RDT&E) appropriations along with the Missile Defense, Cyber and C4ISR appropriations. For nearly three years, Commander Dunlay has demonstrated exceptional leadership and foresight, engaging Members of the Appropriations Committee and its Staff to provide information essential to resourcing the Navy for its role as the world's dominant sea power. In an increasingly difficult budget environment, Commander Dunlay provided essential support in shepherding three Navy budgets through the appropriations process. Matt served our Navy and nation with integrity, insight and dedication. My office, the subcommittee staff, and I have found him to be a pleasure to work with and all respect his professionalism.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of a grateful nation, I join my colleagues today in saying thank you to Commander Matthew L. Dunlay for his extraordinary dedication to duty and steadfast service to this country throughout his distinguished career. We wish Matt, and his sons Luke and Remington "Fair Winds and Following Seas" as he leaves the Naval Service.

IN CELEBRATION OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF BARBARA AND BILL CARNEY

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 13, 2016*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in celebration of the marriage of Barbara and Bill Carney. On May 14, 2016, Barbara and Bill Carney will celebrate fifty years of marriage, friendship, fun, and family. Those 50 years have taken them on a winding and unpredictable journey—from the Irish Catholic neighborhood of Flatbush, Brooklyn, to the suburbs of Long Island, to the halls of the United States Congress—with unforeseen stops and innumerable joys along the way. With love, respect, and patience, they made it look easy. Their lives together, their love for each other, their generosity of spirit, and their faith and humor have impacted so many people through the years.

Barbara Haverlin and Bill Carney grew up blocks from one another in Brooklyn. They attended the same parish, St. Catherine of Genoa, frequented the same places, and enjoyed overlapping groups of friends. They did not meet, however, until their early twenties at O'Reilly's Pub, where Bill was tending bar and Barbara was dating one of the O'Reilly brothers. On a dare from co-workers, Bill asked out the boss's girlfriend. Within two weeks of the

first date, they decided to marry and were wed twelve months later.

Both having lost their parents in their teens, Barbara and Bill deeply appreciated the importance and value of family. Both were blessed with extensive community and family, where one's brother, cousin, and neighbor were always there for each other. That is the value and spirit that Barbara and Bill maintained in raising their two daughters, Julie Baker and Jackie Carney D'Aquila.

After marriage, Bill held multiple jobs to support his family—always willing to try or learn a new skill. Never one to shy away from challenges or view something as impossible, Bill decided to run for U.S. Congress at 32 years old. In 1977, with Barbara's backing and the support of a handful of what would prove to be life-long friends, Bill beat the odds and was elected to represent the 1st Congressional District of New York. During his political career, Bill enjoyed phenomenal staff, advisors, and friends. He served four terms in the House before deciding to retire and open his own boutique consulting firm in 1986.

Bill and Barbara will be joined in celebrating their 50th Anniversary this month by their daughters, sons-in-law, four grandchildren, and scores of friends and family.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. LOIS CAPPS**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 13, 2016*

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I was not able to be present for the following Roll Call vote on May 11, 2016 and would like to reflect that I would have voted as follows: Roll Call Number 183: NO.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 13, 2016*

Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call Number 189, on Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended, H.R. 4586, Lali's Law I was unavoidably detained and missed the vote. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA.

KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE 75TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. STEVEN M. PALAZZO**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 13, 2016*

Mr. PALAZZO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Keesler Air Force Base on the celebration of their 75th anniversary.

On June 12, 1941 Army Air Corps Station Number 8, Aviation Mechanics School was activated and on August 25, 1941 it was officially designated Keesler Army Air Field in honor of Second Lt. Samuel Reeves Keesler of Greenwood, MS. Lt. Keesler and his pilot were shot down after engaging four German aircraft on

October 8, 1918. Lt. Keesler was seriously injured and died the following day. He was posthumously awarded the WWI Victory Medal with Silver Star for his heroism.

Following the passage of the National Security Act of 1947 the United States Air Force became a separate military service, and Keesler Field became what we know it as today, Keesler Air Force Base. Since 1941, Keesler Air Force Base has served as an irreplaceable training ground for our men and women of the military.

In recognition of their dedication to the mission as well as their dedication to the Airmen stationed there, on April 5, 2013 Keesler Air Force Base was awarded the Commander in Chief's Annual Award for Installation Excellence, signifying Keesler as the best Air Force Installation within the Department of Defense.

Once again, I would like to commend the men and women of Keesler on their 75th anniversary celebration.

HONORING MR. LARRY BETTINELLI

**HON. MIKE THOMPSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 13, 2016*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Larry Bettinelli, who is being honored as the 2016 Napa Valley Grower of the Year at the Napa Valley Grapegrower's 41st annual dinner in Napa, California.

Mr. Bettinelli, a fifth generation Napa Valley farmer, has a long history of successful management and leadership within the vineyard industry in California, as well as a proven commitment to serving his community. He graduated from St. Helena High School before completing his Agriculture degree at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo.

Before founding his successful vineyard management company, Bettinelli Vineyards, Mr. Bettinelli served in the U.S. Marine Corps as a helicopter pilot, and worked as a Vineyard Manager for Beringer Vineyards and Jaeger Vineyards.

Throughout his career, Mr. Bettinelli has exemplified the values of the Napa Valley Grapegrowers. In his own business, he prioritizes the preservation of vineyards and agricultural resources of the Napa Valley, and also serves on the Napa County Disease and Pest Control District Board. Drawing on his knowledge and success in the vineyard industry, Mr. Bettinelli represents and advocates on behalf of growers as Chairman of the Napa Valley Grapegrowers' Industry Issues Committee.

Building on his own family history in the Napa Valley, Mr. Bettinelli looks to the region's future by sharing his expertise with the next generation of growers and farmers. He has served as the Founding Chairman of the St. Helena High School Agriculture Establishment Committee and as President of the St. Helena Future Farmers of America boosters. Mr. Bettinelli also finds the time to volunteer with the Yountville Veterans Home chapel and sits on Board of Directors for the St. Helena Choral Society.

Mr. Speaker, Larry Bettinelli has had a remarkable career as a business leader and has

been a lifelong community servant in our Napa Valley community. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

HONORING EDWARD A. HILL

**HON. PETER A. DeFAZIO**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 13, 2016*

Mr. DEFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory and life of Edward A. Hill, a loving husband, son, brother, uncle, friend and colleague. Ed was a member of my staff from 2007 to 2011. His wife, Jessica Zufolo, also served on my staff in the late 1990s. They have been a part of the DeFazio family for many years, and it is with a heavy heart that we mourn Ed's passing.

Ed didn't start out working in politics, but after volunteering to help elect Chris Murphy in 2006 he decided to leave his insurance industry job in Connecticut and move to Washington, D.C. He quickly fell in love with Congress and with Jessica, whom he had met on the campaign trail. I don't think he ever looked back.

Ed was the type of guy everyone liked to be around. He was always smiling and quick with a joke or words of support. His love of craft beer and the home brew he shared made him very popular in the DeFazio office.

About nine months ago Ed was diagnosed with esophageal cancer. He fought it hard until the end. Unfortunately he was diagnosed too late, which is not uncommon with this type of cancer. April was Esophageal Cancer Awareness month, and I'm sure in his honor Ed would encourage us all to get tested.

Ed passed away on May 1st at Georgetown Hospital. At only 45 years of age, he was way too young to die. But, he lived those years he had to the fullest. He will be remembered and missed by all whose lives he touched.

IN HONOR OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL LYME AND TICK-BORNE DISEASE ASSOCIATION

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 13, 2016*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this time to discuss the extremely important work done by the National Capital Lyme and Tick-Borne Disease Association (NatCapLyme), an invaluable organization representing my district. NatCapLyme has been working tirelessly to help defeat an illness that affects so many in our community. Known for their work improving the living standard for those suffering from tick-borne illnesses, NatCapLyme has empowered and educated countless patients, families, and the community at large about this disease.

I am honored to join NatCapLyme on May 15th, 2016 for their 6th Annual Loudoun Lyme 5K/10K/1K that will drive awareness and raise money to help find a cure for Lyme disease—the number one tick-borne illness in the United States. The Loudoun Lyme 5K/10K will also feature a 1K fun run, as well as an informational fair to educate the public about Lyme

disease, its causes, symptoms and treatments. I look forward to joining them again this year and in years to come in support of their efforts.

NatCapLyme has been working nationally for the past 20 years to further improve the lives of those suffering from tick-borne illnesses while also supporting ongoing efforts to find cures and advocate for patients. In the Commonwealth of Virginia, they worked with local legislators, including myself, to permanently designate May as Lyme Disease Awareness Month in Virginia. They also built a coalition of constituents across Virginia to help enact landmark legislation HB-1933 to help better diagnose Lyme disease by identifying potential shortcomings in testing methods utilized at that time. I was proud to partner with them on this legislation and introduce it in the House of Delegates.

As a Member of Congress, I have joined the bipartisan Lyme Disease Caucus because I remain committed to raising awareness of this disease and believe in the important work that NatCapLyme does each day. Mr. Speaker, for helping countless American citizens who suffer from tick-borne illnesses, I would like to sincerely thank the National Capital Lyme and Tick-Borne Disease Association for all their hard work, and ask that my colleagues join me in doing the same.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF THE REVEREND DR. PAUL M. MARTIN

**HON. DIANA DeGETTE**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 13, 2016*

Ms. DEGETTE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life of an extraordinary constituent, the Reverend Dr. Paul M. Martin, who, as pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church for 16 years, was a change agent in the Denver community.

Paul's passing in March shocked and saddened the many people he touched in a life filled with love, hope and purpose. We continue to grieve, but with the perspective of these past few weeks, we've also been able to take some consolation in memories of this extraordinary man and the knowledge that his legacy lives on within us.

Paul Martin was a man of the people. Well educated and worldly, he nevertheless found endless satisfaction in working deep within the community, rolling up his sleeves and diving into the day-to-day matters that affect so many lives—from the parochial to the profound. I especially appreciated that the very same man who reached countless numbers of the faithful via a successful radio ministry also chose to serve on the committees to ensure that the development of DIA and Stapleton were done with community interests in mind.

And for my own part, I'll never forget how the friendship and support Paul gave me through my years of public service. I first met Paul and his wonderful wife and soulmate, Agnes, when my church, Montview Presbyterian, partnered in worship with Macedonia. I spent so many special Sundays sitting in the Macedonia choir loft with my fellow choir-mates from both churches, listening to Paul's inspirational sermons.

I am sure there are many others in Colorado, in California and in places around the

world where Paul preached and taught who have similar stories to tell about his influence on the paths they followed.

Paul was a voice of wisdom, consolation and inspiration. He will be deeply missed, but we are grateful that he was such a key part of our community and our lives for so long. Although a family commitment prevents me from being with you today in person, my spirit is there in solidarity. To Agnes, the Martin family, and the entire Macedonia community, I send my prayers and deepest condolences.

IN HONOR OF THE LEGACY OF CARL WHITMARSH

**HON. AL GREEN**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 13, 2016*

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to honor the memory of a great man and leader in Harris County: Carl Whitmarsh. Mr. Whitmarsh, originally from Brenham, Texas and a graduate of Texas Tech University where he studied political science, untimely passed at the age of 64. Throughout Mr. Whitmarsh's life, he held a variety of positions that allowed him to have significant influence, including president of the Oak Forest Area Democrats, executive director of the Harris County Democratic party, and as an aide to Senator Lloyd Bentsen during his vice presidential campaign in 1988.

Mr. Whitmarsh was not only a community leader, but acted boldly to advocate for the better representation of his community. Mr. Whitmarsh will be specifically remembered for his commitment to democratic principles, impassioned advocacy for the underserved, as well as his many positive working relationships with public officials.

Mr. Speaker, I am blessed to have the opportunity to honor the memory of a dear friend, a man of character who was also an extraordinary agent for change. May he rest in the peace he so richly deserves.

IN HONOR OF DELBERT NELSON

**HON. DONALD NORCROSS**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 13, 2016*

Mr. NORCROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and celebrate Delbert Nelson of Camden, New Jersey for his achievements, contributions, and service in both the United States Army and as a pillar of our community.

Delbert was born, raised, and educated in Camden. After high school, he served in the Army's 43rd Infantry during the Korean War. Once he returned stateside, he worked for the Campbell Soup Company for 43 years, before retiring in 1994.

Delbert has dedicated his retirement to improving the quality of life of Camden's citizens. As a founding and active member of Parkside Business & Community In Partnership, Inc., and the Vice President of the Camden Neighborhood Renaissance, he has helped bring commercial development back into the city. He has worked to improve the natural beauty of the area by volunteering at the Camden