

Air flight. The veterans of Volusia Honor Air, Flight-Ten are:

Edward Achatz, Floyd Adams, Charles Anders, Edward Bachman, Raymond Banas, Frederick Baum, Angelo Bellanco, Robert Bernacchi, Daniel Bernstein, Frank Bonomo, Herschel Brohinsky, Herbert Brucker, Kenneth Burgess, Edd Byrd, George Carter, Vincent Cascioli, Patricia Chambliss, Henry Cleaveland, Irwin Cohen, Thomas Cook, Albert Covello, Robert Curboy, Thornwell Davenport, Virgil Davis, George Desotle, Walter Dickey, Anastasia Domaszewski, Charles Eamshaw, Chauncey Elkins, Howard Genser, Kenneth Gildersleeve, Douglas Hallahan, Charles Hargrove, George Hatzenbuehler, Arion Hinckley, Arthur Hobbs, Charles Hoeck, George Holm, Harold Johnson, Glenn Jones, Clayton Kaster, Earl Killian, Charles Kitching, James Kraker, Walter Lambert, Ernest Laquerre, Leslie Lee, Evelyn Leonard, James Long Jr, Louis Lorenzo, Delia Majure, Eugene Makowski, Harold Marine, John Marshall, Rene Mauboussin, Robert McAlpine, Francis Micara, George Murphy, Edward Obremski, Garlan Odor, George Ottendorf, Donald Palmiter, Loucious Pancoast Jr., Pandi Pani, Joseph Parise, Nathan Polinsky, Paul Pratt Jr, William Rhoads, Gerald Roberts, Charles Robison, Alexander Roskoski, Charles Rowell, Joseph Schmidt, Thomas Schultz, William Seitz, Samuel Shoup, Henry Slager, Stanley Sowinski, Levis Swallows, John Temple, Lonnie Terrell, Forrest Thomas, James Trott, Edward Vaissiere, Henry Vendryes, Anthony Visco, Harold Williams, Murray Zealor, Stanley Zeiger, Theodore Zrinyi.

I would like to salute them, their chap-erones, the Volusia Rotary Clubs and other sponsors who helped make these flights possible.

It has been my honor and pleasure to accompany our veterans during most of these trips to Washington, and I will always remember the satisfaction, joy and solace I have witnessed in these remarkable men and women and often their family members as they visited our most cherished memorials in our Nation's capital.

I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing and congratulating the Volusia Honor Air program and the service of these World War II Veterans.

#### RECOGNIZING THE WARD FAMILY AS THE 2012 WALTON COUNTY, FLORIDA, FARM FAMILY OF THE YEAR

#### HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 28, 2012*

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize the Ward family for being selected as the 2012 Walton County, Florida, Outstanding Farm Family.

Bruce and Shirley Ward have been farming and raising livestock in the Liberty Community of Walton County for many years. They raise cattle and grow a variety of fresh produce, peanuts, cotton, and soybeans. The Wards' vegetable stand located off of Highway 331 affords local citizens and those traveling through the area an opportunity to enjoy their fresh produce. The Wards' farm also includes a

portable sawmill, which Mr. Ward operates in his spare time to grind sugarcane.

Bruce and Shirley share their time on the farm with their loved ones and have always cherished the time they have spent with their children and grandchildren. They are also longtime members of the Florida Farm Bureau. It is appropriate to say that the Wards exemplify the perfect balance of farm, family, and community.

Mr. Speaker, our great nation was built by farmers and their families, and I take great pride in recognizing and paying tribute to the outstanding farm families located in Northwest Florida. On behalf of the United States Congress, I would like to offer my congratulations to the Ward family and thank them for their contributions to the Northwest Florida community. My wife Vicki and I extend our best wishes for their continued success.

#### ABILITYONE PROGRAM

#### HON. KRISTI L. NOEM

OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 28, 2012*

Mrs. NOEM. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the AbilityOne program, which is one of the largest providers for people who are blind or have severe disabilities. AbilityOne has helped over 40,000 people gain the necessary skills to enter and succeed in the workforce. In my home State of South Dakota, Black Hills Services Inc., helps to implement this critical program.

The AbilityOne program connects Federal Government agencies with community based non-profits that are dedicated to employing the blind and disabled. This program affords Americans with disabilities opportunities to acquire job skills and training, receive good wages and benefits, and gain greater independence and quality of life. This program provides essential assistance to a segment of the population that has one of the highest levels of unemployment in our country.

I am proud to acknowledge the important work of Services at Ellsworth Air Force Base. I recently had the pleasure of visiting with many team members and seeing first hand the great job they do. With the support of the AbilityOne Program, BH Services provides assistance and employment to more than 325 people with disabilities in the Rapid City area. The direct impact this program has on the lives of Americans with disabilities cannot be overstated. For an individual with a significant disability who has never had the opportunity to work, be independent, participate in community life, or contribute to their society; the AbilityOne Program and agencies like BH Services are invaluable.

The work AbilityOne and BH Services do everyday help people live fuller lives and become more active members of society. I applaud each AbilityOne employee who works every day to improve their lives and make South Dakota and our country, a better place to live.

#### HONORING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COALINGA HURON LIBRARY DISTRICT

#### HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 28, 2012*

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Coalinga Huron Library District on its 100th anniversary. The Coalinga Huron Library District has served as a great asset to the community as well as a historical site for the citizens of Coalinga and Huron to enjoy every day.

On June 25, 1912, the vote passed by the County Supervisors to form the Coalinga Huron Library District. After gaining overwhelming support for the Library District, they successfully received a Carnegie grant of \$20,000. Today, the main library sits on 4th and Durian streets which is the site of the original purchase.

Libraries serve as the ideal place for people to read, study, and research; and beyond that libraries have turned into great venues for holding workshops, seminars, and events. The Coalinga Huron Library District is a place for people of all ages and backgrounds. Thanks to the renovations done in 1955, 1994, and today, the citizens in Coalinga and Huron have beautiful libraries to visit.

Research and technology are vital components to education today, and public libraries are great tools for students to get research done for free. The Coalinga Huron Library District understands the importance of technology in our world today, and they are staying up-to-date with software programs. Members of the library have access to view books, e-books, periodicals, and historical documents.

Thanks to the public library system, citizens are provided access to books and computers that they normally would not have access to. Along with the access to books and reading materials comes literacy. The abilities to read and write can be overlooked by some people, but librarians and educators know that without the current availability of books, literacy rates have the potential to go down. The Coalinga Huron Library District is obviously aware of their importance and is committed to staying open. They should be commended for their hard work.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me recognizing the Coalinga Huron Library District for its numerous contributions to the cities of Coalinga and Huron and central California. The libraries serve as a great source for members, and the services provided will hopefully be available for many more years to come.

#### HONORING STEVE CHANEY FOR HIS SERVICE TO REDWOOD NATIONAL PARK

#### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 28, 2012*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Steve Chaney, Superintendent of Redwood National Park, honoring his 40-year dedication to our nation's national parks.