

lives daily to protect us in a very demanding and dangerous job.

DOWN ON THE BORDER

(By Albert Caswell)

Down on the border
There are men and women of such high order
Standing tall to provide law and order
Who live and die to hold that line as evil
they quarter,
Because, keeping us safe is such a tall order.
Protecting our borders
On the ground, on the water, or up in the air
everywhere,
As a heroic bond they share,
Because, each day is a war.
Leaving home with one last hug and kiss
goodbye,
not knowing if they'll be home for sure.
Down on the border
These are the men and women of law and
order
Who serve and protect
Whose sworn duty is not to neglect
Only the best from them can we expect.
Down on the border
As all across the country such lawlessness
they quarter
While, working in the harshest of conditions
In the heat of the day or in the darkness of
night making the toughest decisions,
With only seconds to decide.
Down on the border
Who lives or dies depends on you as to the
challenge they rise
Standing tall in their most heroic hues oh
high.
Down on the border,
and all across this country as these are the
men and women of law and order try
To serve and protect us as upon them we
rely.
Down on the border
Yea it's a tough and demanding job,
reminiscent of the wild . . . wild . . . west
. . . as each moment evolves
Demanding only the finest these problems to
solve
Who selflessly give all to this job.
Down on the border
Today we lost another great man
Who for all of us took his most courageous
stand
Trying to keep us all safe throughout this
land
Families, now with children without Moms
and Dads,
Parent's, who lost their most precious Sons
and Daughters they'll ever have,
Brothers and Sisters on that thin blue line
who have lost their best friends so sad.
Down on the border
For they know all to well
That a country which can't protect its bor-
ders that in time will tell,
Will become a place where only lawlessness
dwells,
Because, innocent people should not have to
live through such hell.
Down on the border where all their hearts
swell
On this day remember The Border Patrol,
Who for all us give their hearts and souls,
Until, their blood runs cold.
Say a prayer for all those to come home safe
to their loved ones to hold,
These magnificent men and women who pave
the way of hearts of gold.
Down on the border where its life and death
every day so very cold,
In your hearts ever hold a place,
For these men and women who for us such
danger must face,
Down on the border.

TRIBUTE TO TIM SINDT

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 4, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Tim Sindt, a member of the Ankeny High School cross country team, for winning the Class 4A state boys' cross country championship earlier this year.

After finishing eighth in the 2016 championship, Tim committed himself to a strict training regimen and gives a lot of credit to his coaches for building confidence in him and his teammates leading up to the 2017 season. At this year's meet, Tim finished the 3.1 mile race in an astounding 15 minutes and 23.7 seconds, propelling him to the top of his sport in the state of Iowa.

Mr. Speaker, Tim's determination, hard work, and commitment helped contribute to his great success. I am honored to represent him in the United States Congress and I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Tim for winning this rigorous competition and in wishing him nothing but continued success.

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 Tuesday, December 5, 2017 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

DECEMBER 6

9:30 a.m.

Special Committee on Aging

To hold hearings to examine America's aging workforce, focusing on opportunities and challenges.

SD-562

10 a.m.

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of R. D. James, of Missouri, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, Department of Defense.

SD-406

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine adapting to defend the Homeland against the evolving international terrorist threat.

SD-342

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine firearm accessory regulation and enforcing Federal and state reporting to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS).

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Environment and Public Works

Subcommittee on Superfund, Waste Management, and Regulatory Oversight

To hold hearings to examine challenges facing Superfund and waste cleanup efforts following natural disasters.

SD-406

Committee on Foreign Relations

Subcommittee on Near East, South Asia, Central Asia, and Counterterrorism

To hold hearings to examine beyond ISIS, focusing on countering terrorism, radicalization, and promoting stability in North Africa.

SD-419

Committee on Indian Affairs

Business meeting to consider S. 1870, to amend the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 to secure urgent resources vital to Indian victims of crime; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine S. 664, to approve the settlement of the water rights claims of the Navajo in Utah, to authorize construction of projects in connection therewith, and S. 1770, to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Hualapai Tribe and certain allottees in the State of Arizona, to authorize construction of a water project relating to those water rights claims.

SD-628

DECEMBER 7

Time to be announced

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Business meeting to consider the nominations of Mitchell Zais, of South Carolina, to be Deputy Secretary, and James Blew, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development, both of the Department of Education, Kate S. O'Scannlain, of Maryland, to be Solicitor, and Preston Rutledge, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Labor, and other pending nominations.

TBA

10 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine Department of Defense acquisition reform efforts.

SD-G50

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine implementation of the 21st Century Cures Act, focusing on progress and the path forward for medical innovation.

SD-430

Committee on the Judiciary

Business meeting to consider the nominations of Leonard Steven Grasz, of Nebraska, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit, James C. Ho, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, Don R. Willett, of Texas, to be a Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the

Fifth Circuit, Terry A. Doughty, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, Terry Fitzgerald Moorner, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Alabama, Mark Saalfield Norris, Sr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, Claria Horn Boom, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky, John W. Broomes, to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas, Rebecca Grady Jennings, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky, and Robert Earl Wier, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky.

SD-226

2 p.m.

Select Committee on Intelligence

To receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

DECEMBER 12

10 a.m.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine the cost of prescription drugs, focusing on an examination of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine report "Making Medicines Affordable: A National Imperative".

SD-430

DECEMBER 13

10 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities

To receive a closed briefing on Department of Defense global counterterrorism operations.

SVC-217

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine implementation of the 21st Century Cures Act, focusing on responding to mental health needs.

SD-430

2:30 p.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights

To hold hearings to examine the consumer welfare standard in antitrust.

SD-226