

and to advocate for veterans retirement benefits and improved medical care. Annually, the nearly 2 million members of the VFW and its Auxiliaries contribute more than 8.6 million hours of volunteerism in the community, including participation in Make A Difference Day and National Volunteer Week.

With approximately 600 Comrades and 150 Ladies Auxiliary members, the Springfield VFW Post 7327 stands out for the depth of its commitment to our community. Often called "The Friendliest VFW Post in Virginia," Post 7327 has one of the most aggressive ADOPT-A UNIT programs in the entire VFW organization to support our service members stationed overseas. VFW Post 7327 visits the VA hospital at least quarterly, bringing along goodie bags for our Wounded Warriors. Each Thanksgiving and Christmas, VFW Post 7327 adopts military families in need through the USO and provides them with meal baskets for each holiday, gifts for children, commissary cards for the parents, and a Christmas party where the children can meet Santa and receive a gift-filled stocking. The Ladies Auxiliary members collect, sort, and distribute more than 2,000 pieces of clothing each month to various charitable organizations.

VFW Post 7327 is a strong supporter of local youth organizations including the Boys Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Little League Baseball that contribute greatly to the education and well-being of our children.

Each year, VFW Post 7327 bestows awards to local students who have submitted outstanding essays on a specific theme and to local teachers and public safety officers in recognition of their extraordinary actions and dedication to the community.

I am honored to include in the RECORD the names of this year's award recipients:

Patriot's Pen: 1st Place—Madeline Elizabeth Chambers, 2nd Place—Miriya Gyalokay, 3rd Place—Tyra C. Lovell.

Voice of Democracy: 1st Place—Austin Houck, 2nd Place—Dorian M. Dore.

Teacher of the Year: Mrs. Carrie Messina, Poe Middle School, Ms. Heather Sable, Bush Hill Elementary School.

Firefighter Award: Firefighter/EMT Michael See.

EMT Award: EMT Anna Morgan.

Law Enforcement Award: PFC Scott Reeve.

National EMT Award: EMT Tory Albertson.

National Firefighter Award: Firefighter Samantha Green.

Community Americanism Award: Christopher Reese, Samantha Mulvaney.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in thanking VFW Post 7327 for its continued efforts on behalf of our community and in congratulating the honorees of the 2019 Americanism Awards.

RECOGNIZING THE 2019 PRINCE WILLIAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE VALOR AWARD RECIPIENTS OF THE PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND RESCUE

**HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Prince William County Depart-

ment of Fire and Rescue and its outstanding members who have demonstrated superior dedication to public safety and are the 2019 recipients of the prestigious Prince William Chamber of Commerce Merit Award and Valorous Unit Award for their service. The annual Prince William Chamber of Commerce Valor Awards recognize remarkable heroism and bravery above and beyond the line of duty exemplified by our public safety and law enforcement professionals.

For the past 33 years, the Prince William Chamber of Commerce has paid tribute to our firefighters, police officers, and emergency personnel for their extraordinary service. These brave men and women put their lives at risk on a daily basis to keep our families and neighborhoods safe. For fire and rescue personnel, no two days are alike. Always on the front lines, the Prince William County Department of Fire and Rescue is comprised of three sections: community safety, operations, and support systems. Dedicated service members of a combination career and volunteer system fight fires, provide emergency medical services, perform rescues, and work in our community to promote fire safety and prevention.

The Department of Fire and Rescue was founded in 1966, when just about 50,000 people lived in Prince William County. Through the years, the Department has had to continuously adapt as the population rapidly expanded to over 430,000 people. Yet, our Fire and Rescue department continues to provide high quality and efficient firefighting and emergency medical services to our community. They provide around the clock services from 22 fire stations in a county spanning 348 square miles.

In recognition of their acts of valor, it is my honor to include in the RECORD the following names of the Prince William County Department of Fire and Rescue public safety personnel:

Merit Award for Valor: Technician I Cody Durham, Lieutenant Nick Feliciano, Technician II Chris Gott, Lieutenant Kenneth Zack.

Valorous Unit: Technician II Christopher Clark, Technician II Daniel Jackson, Technician I Kevin Ganssle, Technician I Michael Baker, Captain Brian Ferguson, Technician I Victor Vega, Technician I Aldo Bonilla, Technician I Michael Chergosky.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the 2019 Prince William Chamber of Commerce Valor Award recipients of the Prince William County Department of Fire and Rescue. The selfless acts of heroism by this distinguished group of men and women truly merits our highest praise. I thank each honoree, as well as all Prince William County Department of Fire and Rescue public safety professionals for their dedication and commitment to the protection of our communities.

RECOGNIZING THE SHEPHERD'S CENTER OF OAKTON-VIENNA

**HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna and to thank them for their many contributions to the Northern Virginia community.

Organized in 1997, the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna (SCOV) is a non-profit that provides services to help older adults continue living independently, and it offers programs that supply opportunities for enrichment, learning, and socialization. Services are available free of charge to anyone age 50 or older who resides in the local community.

Last year, 250 volunteers provided 3,000 hours of service to the Northern Virginia community. Volunteer drivers provided more than 900 round-trip rides for medical reasons and other errands. Volunteers also made regular contact with individuals who may have limited interaction and may feel isolated in their homes. "Handy Helpers" made minor home repairs to help older adults keep their homes safe and livable. The Health Team provided individual health counseling, referral to community resources, and blood pressure readings. Volunteers also run programs such as Lunch n' Life, Adventures in Learning, trips and outings, special events, and caregivers' support groups. In 2014, SCOV was recognized for these efforts as an Outstanding Volunteer Caregiving Program by the National Volunteer Caregiving Network.

The services and programs offered by this extraordinary organization help to ensure that our seniors stay connected to the community through the promotion of active lifestyles, ongoing social integration, and availability of resources for older residents to use and share their experience, training, and skills. This year, a number of volunteers are receiving awards for their dedicated service to the community through the Shepherd's Center and its programs. It is my honor to include in the RECORD the names of the following individuals:

Bob Abbott, Jean Bastien, Marsha Komandt, Jerry O'Shaughnessy, Lynn Rafferty, Lynn Rhoads, Burt Sharp, Wanda Snuggs, Kathy Tugenhardt, Pat Wood.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in thanking the many volunteers who generously dedicate their time and efforts to the welfare of our neighbors. The value of their contributions cannot be overstated and are truly deserving of our highest praise.

HONORING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2019 ASIAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EXCELLENCE AWARDS

**HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Asian-American Chamber of Commerce and the recipients of the 2019 Excellence Awards.

The Asian-American Chamber of Commerce (AACC) is dedicated to improving economic development opportunities for Asian Pacific American-owned businesses in the Washington, D.C., region. Northern Virginia has a robust international business community and is home to the largest concentration of minority-owned technology firms in the nation.

The AACC and its members contribute greatly to our regional culture as well as to our economic strength and stability. In fact, Asian-American businesses generate more than 52 percent of total revenues generated by all minority owned businesses in this region. In Fairfax County, approximately 25,000 businesses

are Asian-owned and generate approximately \$9 billion in annual revenue, creating 54,000 jobs.

Each year, the AACC recognizes individuals, businesses and non-profit organizations that have made extraordinary contributions to the Metropolitan Washington community and economy. I am pleased to include in the RECORD the names of the 2019 Excellence award recipients:

Member of the Year: Ken Fang, President, Mobomo, LLC.

Business of the Year (50 or fewer employees): Weris, Inc.

Business of the Year (51 or more employees): Lerch, Early & Brewer, Chtd.

New Business of the Year: CFO Restart, LLC.

Young Entrepreneur of the Year: Lydia Zhang.

Chamber Partner of the Year: M&T Bank.

Not-for-Profit of the Year: Korean Community Service Center.

Asian Business Leader: Sanjiv Jain—CEO, eGlobalTech.

International Business of the Year: Akinnovate.

Lifetime Achievement Award: Dr. Gerald Gordon.

Chairman/President Award: Laura Beldin.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the recipients of the 2019 Excellence Awards and in commending the AACC for its work to support to all Asian-American owned businesses throughout our region.

#### 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 13, 2019 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

#### MEETINGS SCHEDULED

##### JUNE 14

2 p.m.

Committee on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To receive a briefing on non-asylum protection in the United States and the European Union.

RHOB-2237

##### JUNE 18

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine deferred maintenance needs and potential solu-

tions on Federal lands administered by the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture Forest Service.

SD-366

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine the Lower Health Care Costs Act.

SD-430

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the reauthorization of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Program.

SD-538

10:15 a.m.

Committee on Finance

To hold hearings to examine the President's 2019 trade policy agenda and the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement.

SD-215

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Security

To hold hearings to examine drone security, focusing on enhancing innovation and mitigating supply chain risks.

SD-562

Committee on Foreign Relations

Subcommittee on Europe and Regional Security Cooperation

To hold hearings to examine Ukraine's progress and Russia's malign activities five years after the revolution of dignity.

SD-419

Committee on the Judiciary

Subcommittee on the Constitution

To hold hearings to examine keeping Congress accountable, focusing on term limits in the United States.

SD-226

#### JUNE 19

9:15 a.m.

Special Committee on Aging

To hold hearings to examine the complex web of prescription drug prices, focusing on examining agency efforts to further competition and increase affordability.

SD-562

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Business meeting to consider S. 1539, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide funding to secure non-profit facilities from terrorist attacks, S. 1419, to require agencies to publish an advance notice of proposed rule making for major rules, S. 1151, to prohibit contracting with persons that have business operations with the Maduro regime, S. 1521, to amend section 327 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to clarify that National Urban Search and Rescue Response System task forces may include Federal employees, S. 1004, to increase the number of U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations officers and support staff and to require reports that identify staffing, infrastructure, and equipment needed to enhance security at ports of entry, S. 764, to provide for congressional approval of national emergency declarations, S. 979, to amend the Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 to incorporate the recommendations made by the Government Accountability Of-

fice relating to advance contracts, S. 731, to amend the Anti-Border Corruption Act of 2010 to authorize certain polygraph waiver authority, S. 734, to leverage Federal Government procurement power to encourage increased cybersecurity for Internet of Things devices, S. 1272, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 575 Dexter Street in Central Falls, Rhode Island, as the "Elizabeth Buffum Chace Post Office", S. 1759, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 456 North Meridian Street in Indianapolis, Indiana, as the "Richard G. Lugar Post Office Building", H.R. 150, to modernize Federal grant reporting, H.R. 1198, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 404 South Boulder Highway in Henderson, Nevada, as the "Henderson Veterans Memorial Post Office Building", H.R. 1449, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3033 203rd Street in Olympia Fields, Illinois, as the "Captain Robert L. Martin Post Office", an original bill entitled, "DHS Countering Unmanned Aircraft Systems Coordinator Act", an original bill entitled, "Government Shutdown Accountability Act", an original bill entitled, "Secure Federal Leases from Espionage and Suspicious Entanglements Act", an original bill entitled, "State and Local Government Cybersecurity Act of 2019", an original bill entitled, "Bulb Replacement Improving Government with High-Efficient Technology Act of 2019", and the nominations of Chad F. Wolf, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Strategy, Policy, and Plans, Jeffrey Byard, of Alabama, to be Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and Troy D. Edgar, of California, to be Chief Financial Officer, all of the Department of Homeland Security, John McLeod Barger, of California, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, and B. Chad Bungard, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board.

SD-342

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act reauthorization, focusing on transportation and safety issues.

SH-216

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

Subcommittee on National Parks

To hold hearings to examine S. 225, to provide for partnerships among State and local governments, regional entities, and the private sector to preserve, conserve, and enhance the visitor experience at nationally significant battlefields of the American Revolution, War of 1812, and Civil War, S. 298, to establish the Springfield Race Riot National Historic Monument in the State of Illinois, S. 327, to amend the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act to provide for a lifetime National Recreational Pass for any veteran with a service-connected disability, S. 389, to authorize the Society of the First Infantry Division to make modifications to the First Division Monument located on Federal land in Presidential Park in the District of Columbia, S. 641, to update the map of, and modify the maximum acreage available for inclusion in, the Yucca House National