

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### TRIBUTE TO 1995 INDUCTEES INTO LYONS TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME

HON. WILLIAM O. LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 1995

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to 12 outstanding Americans who made their start in my congressional district. These individuals, John Armstrong II, Phillip Ault, Judith Polivka Betts, Bruce Campbell, Carol Evans, Paul Hoffman, Laurie Thompson Lawlor, Douglas McKeag, Herbert Morse, Edwin Munger, William Sharpless, and William Smithburg, have distinguished themselves in fields ranging from medicine to athletics, business to diplomacy. Besides greatness, they also all have two things in common—they are graduates of one of the finest high schools in Illinois, Lyons Township, and they will all be inducted into the High School's Hall of Fame on November 3.

John Armstrong II, a 1956 graduate, is a physician and professor at the University of Colorado. An international authority on radiology and the detection of lung and chest diseases, he is also an expert on medical ethics.

Phillip Ault, class of 1931, is a renowned journalist who served as correspondent for United Press during World War II. After the war, he helped establish the Los Angeles Times-Mirror and served as an editorial executive for other newspapers throughout the country. Mr. Ault is also an educator, whose textbook, "Introduction to Mass Communication," has been read by millions of college students.

Judith Polivka Betts, a 1954 graduate, is an internationally recognized watercolor artist and art educator. She has received hundreds of honors for her work and written the award winning book "Watercolor . . . Let's Think About It!"

The late Bruce Campbell, class of 1927, was among the best major league outfielders of his era, the 1930's. Mr. Campbell finished his career with a .290 batting average and 106 home runs, playing for the Chicago White Sox, the St. Louis Browns, the Detroit Tigers, the Cleveland Indians, and the Washington Senators. However, perhaps the most impressive thing about his playing career was that he overcame three bouts of spinal meningitis, a usually fatal disease in the 1930's.

Carol Evans, class of 1970, has made her mark in publishing, having served as president and publisher of Stagebill magazine, the largest special events program publisher in the United States. At 32, she was the youngest person ever to be named a vice president at McCall's publishing.

The late Paul Hoffman, class of 1909, made an indelible mark in the fields of commerce, government, diplomacy, and philanthropy. Starting as an auto mechanic and salesman, he worked his way up the ladder to become chairman of the board of the Studebaker Corp.

at age 44. He left Studebaker to serve on the War Production Board during World War II. After the war, he was the U.S. Administrator for the Marshall plan that helped rebuild Europe in the wake of World War II. Mr. Hoffman also served as Assistant Secretary of Defense, Chairman of the Commission on Economic Development, U.S. delegate to the United Nations, and head of the U.N.'s Development Program.

Laurie Thompson Lawlor, a 1971 graduate, is the author of numerous children's books. Her work has been named to the Rebecca Caudill Young Readers Award list and she has won the prestigious Golden Kite Honor Award for Nonfiction from the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators.

Douglas McKeag, class of 1963, is a sports medicine expert and founder and president of the American Medical Society for Sports Medicine. A professor at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Dr. McKeag also serves as vice chairman of the Department of Family Medicine and Orthopedics and director of Primary Care Sports Medicine.

Herbert Morse III, class of 1961, has distinguished himself in the field of immunology. He has studied the AIDS virus and related diseases extensively, winning the U.S. Public Health Service Commendation Award and Outstanding Service Award for his research.

Edwin Munger, a 1939 graduate, is a world-renowned authority on Africa. A professor of African history and politics at the California Institute of Technology, he has traveled to the continent 86 times in the last 50 years. Professor Munger has worked to expand educational and cultural opportunities for students in Africa and has written 12 books about his experiences there.

The late William Sharpless, class of 1965, distinguished himself in the field of international affairs. He was active with many foreign relations organizations, including the Foreign Policy Association of the United States and the United Nations Association. He was also founder and director of the Council of American Ambassadors as well as the United States-New Zealand Friendship Council.

William Smithburg, a 1956 graduate, serves as chairman and chief executive officer of the Quaker Oats Co., a \$6 billion company based in Chicago. A marketing visionary, he has acquired many brands for the company including Gatorade, which has become one of the most recognizable brands in the world. Mr. Smithburg is also active in many charitable and civic causes, including the host committees for the 1994 World Cup and the 1996 Democratic National Convention.

Mr. Speaker, I salute these great Americans on their achievements, and I hope they serve as an inspiration for generations of graduates, not only from Lyons Township, but all high schools

### OLDER AMERICANS ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1995

HON. RANDY "DUKE" CUNNINGHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 1, 1995

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the Older Americans Act Amendments of 1995. I am very pleased to support the continuation of the Older Americans Act which has been so successful and means so much to our Nation's elderly population. This act continues to address the special needs of our Nation's chronologically gifted, as I like to say. The Older Americans Act encourages and assists State and area agencies on aging to concentrate resources on comprehensive and coordinated systems to serve older individuals. Over the years it has evolved into a nationwide network that provides a wide array of service programs that include promotion of independent living, senior nutrition programs, in-home and community based care, programs for elder abuse, and the sole Federal jobs creation program benefiting low-income older workers.

The Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families held four hearings this past summer to examine the Older Americans Act. While support remains strong for this legislation, the subcommittee heard consistent testimony on the need for increased State and local flexibility and on the practical need for consolidation and streamlining. As a result, the Older Americans Act Amendments of 1995 focus on increased flexibility that will improve the aging networks' ability to improve service to our elderly population now, and well into the 21st century.

This legislation will provide maximum authority to States and localities to design and operate services and programs for seniors. It will drive more money directly to the States and local communities by decreasing bureaucracy and administrative costs. The Older Americans Act Amendments of 1995 will consolidate and simplify aging services programs by combining multiple programs and funding streams under the act. It encourages the establishment of a system that is more streamlined, that is designed to empower consumers through encouraged competition and easy access to services.

With Congress committed to balancing our country's Federal budget, Federal spending programs across the board have been subject to evaluation and review. While current budget constraints and actual appropriations prevent us from increasing funding for OAA programs; streamlining this act and reducing the Federal bureaucracy will allow Congress to retain these vital services while bringing our country's fiscal responsibility into order. This bill authorizes amounts for fiscal year 1997 that are consistent with the House appropriations for fiscal year 1996. Should those numbers increase in a House and Senate appropriations conference, those increases will be reflected

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