

IN HONOR OF RABBI ALLEN &
ALISA SCHWARTZ

HON. CHARLES E. SCHUMER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 24, 1998

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. Speaker, I wish to take this opportunity to commend members of my community for their outstanding service, Rabbi Allen and his wife, Alisa Schwartz. This will mark the 125th anniversary of Congregation Ohab Zedek along with the 10th anniversary of the arrival of Rabbi and Mrs. Schwartz to the fold.

Since Rabbi Schwartz joined Congregation Ohab Zedek, things have not been the same. In ten years, membership has increased 600 percent. Under his direction, the Congregation has instituted countless charitable programs such as food delivery for the homebound, hospital visits and clothing, food and toy drives. His presence and service have helped to guide the 125 year old congregation into becoming a vibrant part of the upper West Side community.

Mrs. Schwartz has been equally successful in her activities at the Congregation. She has been very active in her efforts to develop a children's program at Ohab Zedek as well as a Shiurim for women of the congregation. Mrs. Schwartz has worked diligently side by side Rabbi Schwartz to create a true sense of community among the congregants.

In addition to being senior rabbi at Ohab Zedek, Rabbi Schwartz finds time to teach Bible at Yeshiva University, where he was also ordained. He is currently working on his doctoral thesis on the Methodology of Rashi and has published numerous themes on Bible, Rabbinics, Halakha and Jewish thought. He also manages to find time to write Bible curriculum for Jewish Day Schools and lectures on behalf of the Board of Jewish Education in New York.

I would like to take this opportunity to commend both Rabbi and Mrs. Schwartz for their limitless generosity to the congregants of Ohab Zedek. Their devotion to the community and effort to promote Jewish education is admirable. I wish them the best on this ten year anniversary with Ohab Zedek and to the congregation, many more great years of fellowship.

CONGRATULATING ELIZABETH
AMES AS WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HON. MARGE ROUKEMA

OF NEW JERSEY

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Mrs. ROUKEMA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Elizabeth Ames, of Stewartville, New Jersey, on being named "Woman of the Year" by the Warren County Commission for Women. Mrs. Ames has had a distinguished career as a volunteer in many areas of community life but has been especially dedicated to the cause of public education. She has served on local school boards for nearly three decades, been active in the Warren County School Boards Association and has been on the New Jersey School Boards Association's board of directors for 20 years. She has been

called upon by the state Department of Education many times for her expertise in a variety of subjects. In all of this work, Mrs. Ames' goal has been to improve the quality of education for the children of our community. As a former teacher and school board member myself—and the mother of children who attended public schools—I can attest to the importance of this work. This high honor is well deserved.

Mrs. Ames holds a degree in bacteriology from the University of Pennsylvania, where she met her husband, veterinarian Sherman Ames II. She worked several years as a research chemist at General Aniline and Film Corp. before becoming business manager of her husband's practice. She was also a research fellow at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, where she conducted government-sponsored research on hepatitis.

Mrs. Ames has been a member of the Warren Hills Regional Board of Education since 1969, serving twice as president, currently as vice president and chairing a variety of committees over the years. She has been a member of the Franklin Township Board of Education since 1974, serving three times as president, chairing several committees and serving on the Community Council. She is a former president of the Warren County School Boards Association and served on the board of directors of the New Jersey School Boards Association from 1975–1996.

The state Department of Education called on Mrs. Ames to serve on its High School Graduation Requirements Committee in 1977 and to participate in its retreat to study reorganization of the department in 1991. She worked with the department's Northwest Educational Improvement Center from 1973–1979, serving one year as chairwoman. In 1985, she participated in the Executive Academy for School Board Members.

Mrs. Ames is a former chairwoman of the Warren County Economic Commission and has been involved in career education coordination, family life planning and the student foreign exchange program. She is a trustee of the Charles Smith Foundation.

A former ballet dancer, Mrs. Ames is also an avid swimmer. She and Dr. Ames live in Stewartville. They have five children and nine grandchildren.

I would like to take this occasion to bring attention to the achievements and service of this outstanding woman and add the recognition of my colleagues in this House for all she has done for Warren County. She deserves this honor for her many years of hard work and dedication.

IN HONOR OF DANIEL J. GARNEK
ON HIS ATTAINMENT OF EAGLE
SCOUT

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

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Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Daniel J. Garnek of Cleveland, Ohio, who will be honored March 29, 1998 for his attainment of Eagle Scout.

The attainment of Eagle Scout is a high and rare honor requiring years of dedication to self-improvement, hard work and the community. Each Eagle Scout must earn 21 merit

badges, twelve of which are required, including badges in: lifesaving; first aid; citizenship in the community; citizenship in the nation; citizenship in the world; personal management of time and money; family life; environmental science; and camping.

In addition to acquiring and proving proficiency in those and other skills, an Eagle Scout must hold leadership positions within the troop where he learns to earn the respect and hear the criticism of those he leads.

The Eagle Scout must live by the Scouting Law, which holds that he must be: trustworthy, loyal, brave, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, clean, and reverent.

And the Eagle Scout must complete an Eagle Project, which he must plan, finance and evaluate on his own. It is no wonder that only two percent of all boys entering scouting achieve this rank.

My fellow colleagues, let us recognize and congratulate Daniel for his achievement.

TRIBUTE TO CARL STEPHENS—
ALABAMA BROADCAST LEGEND

HON. TERRY EVERETT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. EVERETT. Mr. Speaker, I have been informed that one of Alabama broadcasting's best loved personalities will soon retire after 40 years behind the microphone and television camera.

A native Alabamian, Carl Stephens was practically born into his profession. A radio sportscaster at the age of ten in his native Gadsden and student manager of the college radio station while at the University of Alabama, Carl Stephens began his television career at the Alabama Educational Television Network before settling in as one of the states' best-known on-camera personalities at WSFA TV in Montgomery.

At WSFA, Carl Stephens forged a 38-year career witnessing and reporting some of Alabama's and the nation's most historic events during the 1960s. Despite his contribution to news reporting in Alabama, it is noteworthy that Carl is best known by many Alabamians for his other roles. As host of a popular children's cartoon show in the late 1950's and co-anchor of the Auburn Football Review for many years, Carl's genteel charm and warm personality best shown through the television screen, earning him wide respect and many loyal fans.

Carl will begin his well-deserved retirement effective this Thursday, but his voice will continue to be heard, as it has been for many years, over the public address system of Auburn University football and basketball games.

I join with all Alabama in wishing Carl, his wife Mary, and all his family the very best in the years ahead.

AMBASSADOR ROBERT E. HUNTER
ON NATO ENLARGEMENT

HON. TOM LANTOS

OF CALIFORNIA

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Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, last week the Senate began the debate on the admission of